Steel plate welded under the distribution box



Overview

For most steel buildings the reversible serviceability limit states apply, although the irreversible situation may apply to cracking in concrete and steel composite structures.

Key Takeaways

Steel plates welded under a distribution box must be properly prepared, welded with compatible materials, and protected against deformation and corrosion to ensure structural integrity and safety.

Material Preparation

Before welding, the steel plate should be degreased, derusted, and phosphatized to remove contaminants and improve adhesion of coatings ( ). The steel must be free of defects such as peeling, warping, delamination, or slag inclusion, and surface corrosion should meet at least Grade C according to national standards ( ). Any scratches or pitting should not exceed half of the negative allowable thickness deviation.

Welding Requirements

Welding consumables must match the base metal in strength and comply with national standards ( ). For manual welding, use rods compatible with the steel; for automatic or semi-automatic welding, ensure the wire and flux are suitable. Butt joints should include arc-extinguishing plates at both ends to prevent incomplete penetration, crater cracks, and unmelting ( ).

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Plates should be at least 80 mm long and 60 mm wide, with a welded joint length of at least 40 mm. Deformation control is critical. The first weld side may deform more than the post-weld side, so reverse deformation and proper fixation are necessary to maintain alignment ( ).

Quality and Inspection

Welds must be uniform, bright, and free of defects such as air holes or welding skin ( ). Dimensional deviations of the weld should conform to national standards for structural steel welds ( ). Internal defects should be checked using ultrasonic testing or other approved methods to ensure Grade 1 weld quality ( ).

Protection and Coating

After welding, all steel surfaces should be coated or powder-coated to prevent corrosion ( ). Powder-coated steel distribution boxes provide excellent protection against dust, mechanical impact, and environmental exposure ( ). Ensure that welding does not damage the coating or compromise the IP protection level of the distribution box, which should withstand at least IP3X conditions ( ).

Structural Considerations

The welded steel plate must support the distribution box securely without deformation under load. Hinges, locks, and internal components should remain functional, and the box should maintain its opening angle and stability after welding ( ). By following these preparation, welding, inspection, and protection steps, the steel plate under a distribution box will be structurally sound, corrosion-resistant, and compliant with safety standards.

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Base Plates

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Understanding Base Plates A base plate is a steel plate welded or attached to the bottom of a steel column that distributes the column''s concentrated load over a larger area of the concrete

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