Weld Torque's

The calibrated torque spanner provides a convenient method of testing welded studs. Whilst very valuable for this purpose it should not be regarded as a precise test instrument as frictional effects can produce wide variations (as much as 33%) in the stress applied at any given torque load.

The table below indicates the safe tightening torque, which may be applied to a Studfast weld stud when welded to a compatible good weldable quality material.

It should be noted that should either the stud or the nut be lubricated the figures shown in the table should be reduced by 30%.

A table of compatible materials is provided overleaf for "CD", "DA" & "SCDA" and should be consulted prior to welding and testing.

Capacitor Discharge Weld Studs

Dia	Mild Steel	Stainless Steel	Aluminium Alloy
M3	0.58 Nm	0.98 Nm	0.39 Nm
M4	1.35 Nm	2.30 Nm	0.92 Nm
M5	2.67 Nm	4.56 Nm	1.82 Nm
M6	4.58 Nm	7.81 Nm	3.12 Nm
M8	12.06 Nm	20.55 Nm	8.22 Nm
M10	23.11 Nm	39.39 Nm	

Drawn Arc Weld Studs

Dia	Mild Steel	Stainless Steel
M5	2.36 Nm	3.65 Nm
M6	4.05 Nm	6.25 Nm
M8	10.65 Nm	16.44 Nm
M10	20.41 Nm	31.51 Nm
M12	36.41 Nm	56.38 Nm
M16	86.06 Nm	132.89 Nm
M20	177.04 Nm	273.37 Nm

Short Cycle Weld Studs

Dia	Mild Steel	Stainless Steel	
	CD Stud	CD Stud	
M3	0.58 Nm	0.98 Nm	
M4	1.35 Nm	2.30 Nm	
M5	2.67 Nm	4.56 Nm	
M6	4.58 Nm	7.81 Nm	
M8	12.06 Nm	20.55 Nm	
M10	23.11 Nm	39.39 Nm	
	Mild Steel DA Stud	Stainless Steel DA Stud	
M5	2.36 Nm	3.65 Nm	
M6	4.05 Nm	6.25 Nm	
M8	10.65 Nm	16.44 Nm	

Material Compatibility

Weldability

The general welding properties of Studfast weld studs are given in the table. Select from the 1st column in the table your product parent material. Read across to the column corresponding to the weld stud material. The general welding properties of the 2 materials is then given to enable you to evaluate the compatibility of your selection.

Capacitor Discharge "CD" Weld Studs

	Stud Material				
Parent Material	Mild Steel	Stainless Steel	Aluminium Alloy	Pure Aluminium	Brass
Low Carbon Mild Steel	Good	Good	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Good
Steel up to 0.6% carbon	Fair	Good	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Good
Austenitic Stainless Steel	Good	Good	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Fair
Zinc Coated Steel	Fair	Fair	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Good
Electro Galvanised Steel	Fair	Fair	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Good
Hot Rolled Structural Steel	Fair	Fair	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Fair
Aluminium Alloy	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Good	Good	Not Weldable
Pure Aluminium	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Good	Good	Not Weldable
Lead Free Brass	Good	Fair	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Good
Lead Free Copper	Fair	Fair	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Good
Leaded Brass	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Not Weldable	Not Weldable

Drawn Arc "DA" & Short Cycle "SCDA" Weld Studs

	Stud Material			
Parent Material	Mild Steel	Stainless Steel	Zinc Plated Mild Steel	
Low Carbon Mild Steel	Good	Good	Fair	
Steel up to 0.6% carbon	Fair	Good	Fair	
Austenitic Stainless Steel	Good	Good	Fair	
Zinc Coated Steel	Fair	Fair	Fair	
Electro Galvanised Steel	Fair	Fair	Fair	
Hot Rolled Structural Steel	Fair	Fair	Fair	