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## **American Welding Society Announces New Edition of AWS D8.14M:2008- Specification for Automotive Weld Quality-Arc Welding of Aluminum**

Miami, September 8, 2008 – The American Welding Society has revised and enhanced the Specification for Automotive Light Truck Components Weld Quality- Aluminum Arc Welding. This new edition, AWS D8.14M:2008, Specification for Automotive Weld Quality-Arc Welding of Aluminum, makes sole use of the International System of Units (SI).

The D8C subcommittee on Automotive Arc Welding of the Automotive D8 Committee on Automotive Welding prepared this specification to allow its use by smaller suppliers of automotive components. These new specifications follow recent changes made in the automotive industry in an effort to reduce fuel consumption. As a result, automotive structures are now being made of aluminum.

Minimum standards are being prepared for manual, automatic and robotic arc welding of aluminum components associated with the body and supporting structural members such as body panels, bumpers, frames, space frames, cradles, wheels, drive shafts and suspensions.

The American Welding Society is the largest organization in the world dedicated to advancing the science, technology, and application of welding and allied processes including joining, brazing, soldering, cutting, and thermal spray. Headquartered in



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