

# **UR™** 65

## UR™ 65: A 310 L modified grade - C < 0.020, Si < 0.3 for nitric acid services

UR™ 65 is a 25 Cr 20 Ni austenitic stainless steel with sharp control of the residual elements in order to provide high corrosion resistance properties in boiling 50 - 65% nitric acid solutions. The silicon content is kept under 0.3% while the carbon content is lower than 0.015%. Molybdenum additions are also well known to reduce the behaviour of the steel in nitric acid solutions. This explains why the molybdenum content is guaranteed lower than 0.3%. The sharp control of carbon, silicon and phosphorus contents makes it possible to produce a more stable austenite microstructure, free of intermetallic or carbide precipitations. The alloy is designed for nitric acid applications. The grade is not recommended for concentrated nitric acid purposes or highly oxydizing nitric acid solutions (with Cr VI species...)

**PROPERTIES** 

#### **STANDARDS**

> EURONORM: EN 1.4335 X1 Cr Ni 25-21

> ASTM: 310L NAG

#### **CHEMICAL ANALYSIS - WEIGHT %**

#### Typical values

| С    | Cr | Ni   | Мо  | Si   | Others               |
|------|----|------|-----|------|----------------------|
| .015 | 25 | 20.5 | ≤.3 | < .3 | Nb ≤ 0.25 - Mn ≤ 2.0 |

## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

## Density: 7.9 kg/dm<sup>3</sup>

| Interval<br>temperature<br>(°C) ( |         | Thermal expansion $(\alpha \times 10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-1})$ | T<br>°C (°F) | Resistivity<br>(μΩ.cm) | Thermal<br>conductivity<br>(W.m <sup>-1</sup> .K <sup>-1</sup> ) | Young modulus<br>E (GPa) | Shear modulus<br>G (GPa) |
|-----------------------------------|---------|--|--------------|------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                   | 0 - 100 | 15.8   | 20 (68)      | 0.85                   | 450  | 195                      | 75                       |
|                                   | 0 - 300 | 16.5   | 200 (392)    | -                      | -  | 182                      | 70                       |
|                                   | 0 - 500 | 17.3   | 400 (752)    | -                      | -  | 166                      | 66                       |

#### **MECHANICAL PROPERTIES**

Tensile properties - Minimum guaranteed values

| °C  | °F  | Y.S. 0.2% |      | Y.S. 1% |      | UTS |     | Elongation |
|-----|-----|-----------|------|---------|------|-----|-----|------------|
| C   |     | MPa       | ksi  | MPa     | ksi  | MPa | ksi | %          |
| 20  | 68  | 215       | 31   | 245     | 35   | 490 | 71  | 40         |
| 50  | 122 | 195       | 28   | 220     | 31.5 | 460 | 66  |            |
| 100 | 212 | 175       | 25   | 200     | 28.5 | 430 | 61  | 35         |
| 200 | 392 | 140       | 20   | 160     | 23   | 390 | 56  |            |
| 300 | 572 | 115       | 16.5 | 135     | 19   | 360 | 51  | 30         |

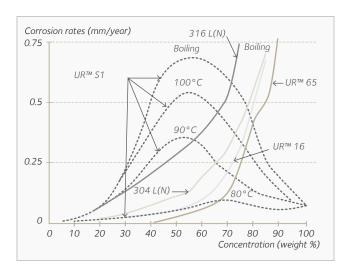
#### Impact value

High impact strength even at cryogenic temperatures - Average hardness =155 HB

## IN SERVICE CONDITIONS

#### **CORROSION RESISTANCE**

Because of its high chromium content, UR<sup>TM</sup> 65 has an excellent resistance in boiling nitric acid solutions of less than about 70% concentration. In these conditions, the alloy behaves much better than 304 L grade. Moreover, thanks to the close control of impurities such as carbon, silicon, phosphorus which are known to be deleterious to the resistance of stainless steels in nitric acid solutions in the sensitized condition, UR<sup>TM</sup> 65 grade performs very well in HNO<sub>3</sub> solution up to 70%. Nitric acid solutions containing CrVI species are much more oxydant than usual HNO<sub>3</sub> solutions. In those cases, UR<sup>TM</sup> 65 is normaly not to be used. Please, contact us for more information. UR<sup>TM</sup> 65 melts are optimised to improve corrosion resistance in nitric acid solutions, even after welding.



#### Huey tests

A262 Practice C - 5 x 48 hours

| Corrosion rate (mm/year) |                          |   |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Without sensitization    | After 1 hour<br>at 675°C | After 0.5 hour<br>at 700°C + Slow<br>cooling (50°C/h) |  |  |  |
| < 0.15 (6 mpy)           | < 0.20 (8 mpy)           | < 0.25 (10 mpy)                                       |  |  |  |

#### Pitting

UR™ 65 has approximately the same pitting corrosion resistance as 316L.



Corrosion rates of solution annealed stainless steels in nitric acid solutions

#### **SIZE RANGE**

|           | Hot rolled plates | Clad plates    |
|-----------|-------------------|----------------|
| Thickness | 5 to 150 mm       | 6 to 150 mm    |
| THICKIESS | 3/16" to 6"       | 1/4" to 6"     |
| Width     | Up to 3300 mm     | Up to 3300 mm  |
| Widti     | Up to 130"        | Up to 130"     |
| Longth    | Up to 12000 mm    | Up to 14000 mm |
| Length    | Up to 39 ft       | Up to 46 ft    |

Other sizes are available on request, including 4100 mm (161.4") width plate.

## PLATE PROCESSING

#### **HEAT TREATMENT**

1100 - 1150°C (2010 - 2100°F) followed by rapid cooling.

#### **FORMING**

Cold forming is easy as for all austenitic steels. Cold forming does not impair the corrosion resistance and no heat treatment is required after cold forming.

#### **CUTTING**

The prefered methods of cutting are shearing or plasma cutting.

## **WELDING**

The welding of fully austenitic material requires precautions against hot cracking.

- > manganese addition in the filler wire
- > low heat input (< 15 KJ/cm)
- > controlled welding conditions
- > prevention of deformations during welding

From the corrosion resistance point of view, GTAW/TIG welding is the prefered method and welds in contact with the corrosive solution should preferably be welded using this method.

#### Welding materials:

> TIG - MIG FP SOUDAGE URANUS 65

**SPRINT METAL SOUDINOX 65** 

> ELECTRODE SOUDOMETAL SOUDINOX

**S65** 

UTP 6825.Lc Kb

Our welding research centre provides technical assistance for the welding of  $UR^{TM}$  65.



#### **MACHINING**

Similar to austenitic steels

|                   |                     | Lubrication | CONDITIONS               |                              |                           |  |  |
|-------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| Operation         | Tool                |             | Blade width<br>mm (inch) | Feed<br>mm/t (inch/t)        | Speed<br>m/min (feet/min) |  |  |
|                   |                     | Cutting oil | 1.5 (0.06)               | 0.03 (0.0012)                | 10 - 13 (32.8 - 42.7)     |  |  |
| Parting<br>off    | High speed<br>steel |             | 3 (0.11)                 | 0.04 (0.0016)                | 11 - 14 (36.1 - 45.9)     |  |  |
| 011               | 30001               |             | 6 (0.23)                 | 0.05 (0.0020)                | 12 - 15 (39.4 - 49.2)     |  |  |
|                   |                     |             | Drill Ø<br>mm (inch)     | Feed<br>mm/t (inch/t)        | Speed<br>m/min (feet/min) |  |  |
|                   | High speed<br>steel | Cutting oil | 1.5 (0.06)               | 0.025 (0.0010)               | 6 - 10 (19.7 - 32.8)      |  |  |
| Drilling          |                     |             | 3 (0.11)                 | 0.06 (0.0024)                | 7 - 11 (23 - 26.1)        |  |  |
| Drilling          |                     |             | 6 (0.23)                 | 0.08 (0.0031)                | 7 - 11 (23 - 26.1)        |  |  |
|                   |                     |             | 12 (0.48)                | 0.10 (0.0039)                | 7 - 11 (23 - 26.1)        |  |  |
|                   |                     |             | Feed<br>mm/t (inch/t)    | Speed<br>m/min (feet/min)    |                           |  |  |
| Milling profiling | High speed<br>steel | Cutting oil |                          | 0.05 - 0.10 (0.002 - 0.0039) | 10 - 20 (32.8 - 65.6)     |  |  |

## **APPLICATIONS**

 $UR^{TM}$  65 is used in all processes involving hot nitric acid up to 70% concentration (14 N). (solutions free of  $Cr^{VI}$  species or other very oxydizing species):

- > Production of nitric acid
- > Ammonium nitrate production
- > Nuclear fuel reprocessing
- > Hydrofluoric pickling

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