



### **Our Purpose**

The welding industry has changed at a great pace in recent years with manufacturers developing high technology equipment using modern electronic controls. The rapid rise of inverter based machines, increased demand for quality, repeatability of performance and the development of new materials such as, high strength, lightweight steels which demand new types of equipment and weld processes all mean significant change to our industry.

### **Our Knowledge**

We have identified these changes affect both our distributor partners and also their customers and have seen the potential to up skill workers to satisfy these changing demands by building a state of the art training academy. Training will be carried out in flexible learning modules tailored to specific needs. In addition to the benefits of the product and process knowledge, training and development plays a crucial role in making the learner feel valued within the workplace which in turn we believe leads to more motivated staff.

### **Our Facility**

The welding academy will reinforce the theory aspect of the training with practical application. The school has individual acoustic welding bays fitted with the latest fume extraction systems. Trainees will benefit from being able to work at their own pace and dedicated instruction and assistance.

The equipment in the bays, is as you would expect, carefully selected to suit the training being undertaken. Our training is geared to the workplace environment and this approach to training is beneficial in developing good work ethics and habits. The Wilkinson Welding Academy trainers have many years practical experience within the industry. Our highly qualified, experienced trainers are able to provide training and support at all levels. Their extensive field experience is an invaluable asset in relaying work related practices to the trainees.

### **Our Courses**

We offer training which ranges from basic welding techniques through to high integrity standards. Training is aimed at both people who work in the many aspects within our industry not just the welders. Our distributor training scheme is also certified by EAL. **EAL (EMTA Awards Limited)**

is a leading awarding organisation and QCF

submitting body for engineering, building services and related sectors, offering a wide range of vocational qualifications for industry

Examples of the courses we offer:

- **Health and Safety**
- **Electrics and Power Supplies**

- **MIG/MAG Welding**
- **TIG Welding**
- **MMA Welding**
- **Plasma Cutting**
- **Resistance Welding**
- **Advanced MIG Processes and Controls**
- **Advanced TIG Processes and Controls**

### **In addition we can provide Bespoke Courses to suit individual requirements**

Other features which we have at the Academy are a High Quality Cutting system which highlights the speeds and the quality of the cut that can be achieved with this process. In addition we will also have a Robotic Cell to demonstrate the advantages of automation and production speeds that can be achieved on repetitive component welding.

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