

### Underbody Dimensions — Wagon

NOTE: Measurements are obtained on center, unless otherwise indicated.



# Welding Precautions — Steel

# Material

Item	Specification
Motorcraft Premium Undercoating PM-25-A	
Motorcraft Rust Inhibitor Aerosol PM-24-A	

General
Equipment
3 Phase
Inverter Spot
Welder
254-00002
Compuspot
700F Welder
190-50080
I4 Inverter
Spot Welder
254-00014
Inverter
Welder with
MIG Welder
254-00015

## Weld Nugget Chart

Test Thickness of Metal (mm)	Nugget Size
0.7 + 0.7	4.3 mm (0.16 in)
0.7 + 0.7 + 0.7	4.3 mm (0.16 in)
0.9 + 0.9	4.7 mm (0.18 in)
0.9 + 0.9 + 0.9	4.7 mm (0.18 in)
1.0 + 1.0	5.2 mm (0.2 in)
1.0 + 1.0 + 1.0	5.2 mm (0.2 in)
2.0 + 2.0	7.1 mm (0.27 in)
2.0 + 2.0 + 2.0	7.1 mm (0.27 in)
3.0 + 3.0	8.7 mm (0.34 in)
3.0 + 3.0 + 3.0	8.7 mm (0.34 in)
3.0 + 0.7	4.3 mm (0.16 in)
0.7 + 3.0 + 1.0	5.2 mm (0.2 in)
2.0 + 2.0 + 0.7	4.3 mm (0.16 in)

0.9 + 0.9 + 2.0	4.7 mm (0.18 in)
2.0 + 0.9 + 1.0	5.2 mm (0.2 in)
1.0 + 3.0 + 1.0	5.2 mm (0.2 in)
3.0 + 1.0 + 2.0	7.1 mm (0.27 in)
0.9 + 0.7 + 0.9	4.3 mm (0.16 in)

## **General Specifications**

Item	Specification
Plug weld hole	8 mm (0.31 in)
Weld wire ER70S-3 or equivalent	0.9-1.1 mm
	(0.035-0.045 in)

▲ WARNING: Invisible ultraviolet and infrared rays emitted in welding can injure unprotected eyes and skin. Always use protection such as a welder's helmet with dark-colored filter lenses of the correct density. Electric welding will produce intense radiation, therefore, filter plate lenses of the deepest shade providing adequate visibility are recommended. It is strongly recommended that persons working in the weld area wear flash safety goggles. Also wear protective clothing. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious personal injury.

The correct equipment and settings must be used when welding mild or high-strength steel. Metal Inert Gas (MIG) and Squeeze-Type Resistance Spot Welding (STRW) are the preferred methods. Surfaces must be clean and free of foreign materials.

- Correct eye protection must be worn.
- The correct protective clothing should always be worn.
- Adequate ventilation must be provided to avoid accumulation of poisonous gases.
- A test weld should always be carried out on a test sample.
- Use cleaning brushes and abrasive grinding wheels dedicated to the type of materials being welded.
- Follow equipment manufacturer's prescribed procedures and equipment settings for the type of welder being used. ER70S-3 or ER70S-6 wire are typically used for MIG welding steel.
- Disconnect the battery ground cable. Refer to Section 414-01 .
- Disconnect on-vehicle modules and protect them from possible heat damage and electrical currents when welding.
- Corrosion protection must be restored whenever bare metal repairs are made. Refer to <u>Restoring</u> <u>Corrosion Protection Following Repair</u> in this section.
- Adequate power supply needs to be used to make sure of correct equipment performance.
- Factory spot welds may be substituted with either STRW or MIG plug welds. Spot/plug welds should equal factory welds in both location and quantity. Do not place a new spot weld directly over an original weld location. Plug weld hole should equal 8 mm (0.31 in) diameter.
- Vehicles equipped with optional safety canopy require removal of these components prior to any welding procedures being carried out in the roof-line or body side areas of the vehicle. Refer to <u>Section 501-20B</u>.

# Sealers

## Material

Item	Specification
Clear Silicone Rubber TA-32	ESB-M4G92-A
Roof Ditch Sealer TA-15	
Seam Sealer TA-2	

# ▲ WARNING: Always refer to Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) when handling chemicals and wear protective equipment as directed. Examples may include but are not limited to respirators and chemically resistant gloves. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious personal injury.

The correct sealing of joints is essential to repairing the vehicle correctly. Sealers are used to prevent wind noise, water leaks, exhaust fumes and dust from entering the vehicle. They also provide anti-corrosion barriers. Sealers are applied to areas such as door and rear compartment hem flanges, wheelhouse, quarter outer, floor, cowl, roof and other panel-to-panel attaching points. The following joint sealers are recommended for use depending upon the application:

- Brushable Seam Sealer A sealer intended to restore the original brushed seam appearance. It is used to seal lap joints in sheet metal that are spot welded (for example, floorpans and cowls). Use a product obtained locally.
- Roof Ditch Sealer A self-leveling sealer used for drip rails, roof seams, quarter panels to rear deck and for water leaks.
- Seam Sealer Heavy-bodied, non-sag adhesive/sealer for use on standing cosmetic seams, truck bed seams, tooled door skin seams and floor pans.
- Clear Silicone Rubber Used for sealing water leaks, noise concerns, remounting trim and repairing torn weatherstripping.

Sealers should remain flexible after curing and must be paintable. Follow the manufacturer's directions for correct application of these materials.

Any damage to originally sealed joints should be repaired by resealing. Along with attaching points of new panels, open joints that require bridging of sealer to close a gap should be sealed using a heavy-bodied sealer.

# Adhesives

### Material

Item	Specification
Clear Silicone Rubber TA-32	ESB-M4G92-A
Trim and Weatherstrip Adhesive TA-14	
Plastic Bonding Adhesive TA-9	
Metal Bonding Adhesive TA-1	_
Metal Patch Panel Adhesive TA-3	_
Seam Sealer TA-2	_

Adhesives are used in a variety of applications. Typical uses for adhesives include roof panels, door skins and quarter panels. Trim applications include body side mouldings, emblems, stationary glass and weatherstripping. Combination sealer/adhesives are also used. Surface preparation is critical to a high quality repair. Following the label instructions for the product is essential.

Work in a well-ventilated area and protect adjacent surfaces when working with adhesives. The use of eye protection and protective clothing is also recommended when working with adhesives. Carry out a trial fit, mark and align the surfaces before bonding the materials together.

Seam sealers and corrosion protection may be necessary once the adhesive(s) has cured, depending on the application. The following is a list of adhesives recommended for certain types of applications:

- Metal Bonding Adhesive For bonding cold-rolled steel, galvanized steel, aluminum and correctly prepared E-coat. It is used for door skin and roof panel replacement and OEM structural adhesive replacement.
- Plastic Bonding Adhesive For bonding a variety of plastics to plastics and plastics to primed, painted or E-coated metals. Also for general purpose bonding of trim components.
- Seam Sealer Heavy-bodied, non-sag adhesive/sealer for use on: standing cosmetic seams, truck bed seams, tooled door skin seams and floor pans.
- Trim and Weatherstrip Adhesive For use on body side moulding, emblems, trim, bumper impact strips and carpeting.
- Clear Silicone Rubber Used for sealing water leaks, noise concerns, remounting trim and repairing torn weatherstripping.

# **Sectioning Guidelines**

Special Tool(s)

ST2738-A	Heat Treatment Induction Resistance Spot Welder 254-00001
ST2956-A	Pro 230 MIG Welder 208-00030

#### Material

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Metal Bonding Adhesive TA-1	
Metal Patch Panel Adhesive TA-3	
Motorcraft® Metal Surface Prep ZC-31-A	_
Motorcraft® Premium Undercoating PM-25-A	
Motorcraft® Rust Inhibitor Aerosol PM-24-A	

#### 3-Door

*NOTICE:* Body side section repairs should not be performed in areas of laser welds, door hinge or striker anchoring points or near restraint anchoring points. Do not cut or grind body side components within 50 mm (1.96 in) of restraint anchoring points. For additional restraints anchoring location information, refer to <u>Section 501-20A</u>.

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**NOTE:** Observe prescribed welding procedures when carrying out any body side section repair. Refer to <u>Welding Precautions — Steel</u> in this section.



**A** WARNING: Never install used or reconditioned parts (as specified below) from pre-owned, salvaged or damaged vehicles. The use of such parts could lead to serious injury.

Never use non-Ford parts or accessories for completing repairs.

Ford Motor Company does not approve or recognize body and structural repair procedures, tools, parts or anything but new genuine Ford equipment. Ford cannot attest to the safety, quality, durability or legality of non-Ford parts or accessories. Use of such parts could lead to serious personal injury as they may contain damage which is not visible.

### Ford does not approve use of the following:

- Salvaged or used parts
- Major body clips or assemblies from salvage vehicles
- Aftermarket structural or body components
- Salvaged or reconditioned wheels
- Used supplemental restraint system (SRS) components
  - ♦ air bags
  - ♦ restraint system modules
  - safety belts, buckles or retractors
  - ♦ crash sensors

Returning a vehicle to pre-accident condition can only be assured if repair procedures are carried out by skilled technicians using new genuine Ford parts and Ford-approved methods. Structural component repair procedures approved by Ford, using genuine Ford parts, have been validated by Ford Motor Company engineers.

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# 4-Door Sedan

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