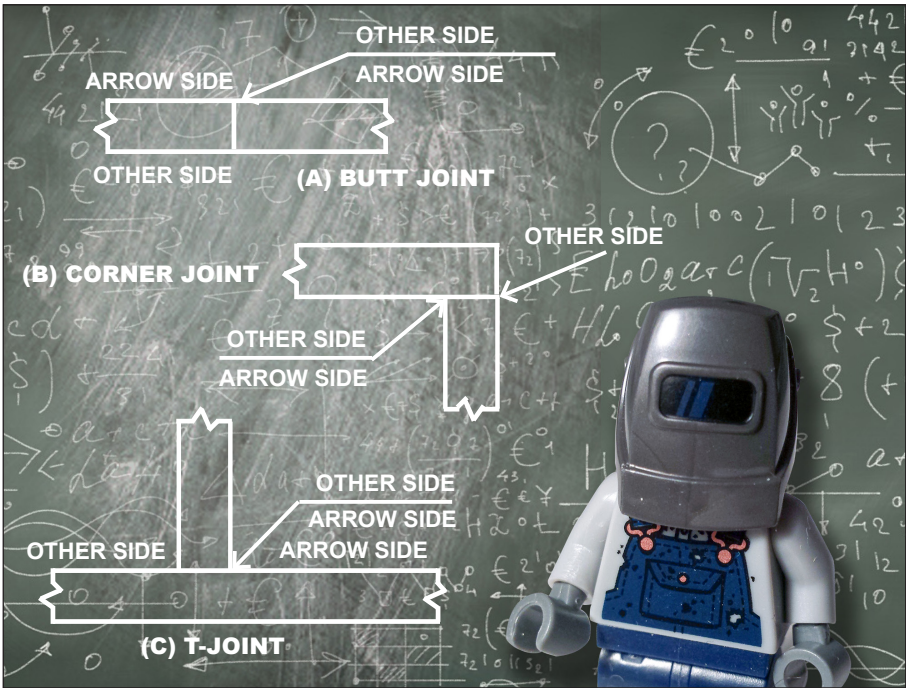


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## What Is That Weld Symbol?

Continuing our series on weld symbols, in this newsletter we are going to discuss the significance of the location of the arrow in the weld symbol itself. Per AWS A2.4, information applicable to the arrow side of a joint is placed BELOW the reference line. Information applicable to the other side of a joint is placed ABOVE the reference line. As a result, the welder should know which side of the joint to perform the welding. Examples of this with respect to butt, corner, and T-joints are shown above.

## NATE Offers Safety & Health Manual Online Resource Library

Available for free to member companies, the NATE Safety & Health Manual Online Resource Library is a highly valuable industry tool. In addition to its availability to member companies, the library is also accessible for nonmembers to purchase.

The library is designed specifically for the communications infrastructure industry and is intended to serve as a resource for members to use when developing their own company safety programs. The manual contains 56 chapters focused on core subjects to help contractor service companies drive a culture of safety within their respective firms and jump-start their internal OSHA and third-party onboarding compliance processes.

All 56 chapters are available to download in a Microsoft Word format and are designed to be fully customizable for companies to include in their manuals to ensure the safety, growth and development of employees. Revisions and updates will be made to this resource as additional procedures and practices are adopted by the NATE's membership.

According to the American Society of Civil Engineers the United States needs to invest \$3.6 billion in infrastructure repairs. In addition to this, a study by NACE International concluded that the direct cost to the United States associated with internal and external corrosion is in the range of hundreds of billions of dollars. The structural integrity of many structures is continuously under attack by the elements, corrosion, and fatigue. The answer to these continual attacks? Reese Tower Services (RTS). RTS specializes in providing comprehensive mapping and inspection services to the tower and poles industries. Whether communications, sports lighting, electric utility, high mast lighting, traffic or wind energy structures, RTS stands ready to assist you in maximizing the value of your vertical assets.

## NATE Unveils New Climber/Rescuer Training Standard

NATE has announced that a new Climber/Rescuer Training Standard (CRTS) is available to members and industry stakeholders. The CRTS replaces the current 4th Edition of the Climber Training Standard (CTS) resource and is available in electronic format for free to member companies and for purchase for stakeholders representing non-members.

The CRTS is intended to assist in standardizing fall protection and rescue training for climbers in the tower and communications infrastructure construction, service, and maintenance industries. The new, streamlined document presents a series of training topics, establishing a minimum baseline of knowledge and skill that a climber should possess.

Training topics include an evaluation, which is intended to assist an employer in designating personnel initially as authorized climbers/rescuers, and for personnel with sufficient knowledge, skills, and experience, as competent climbers/rescuers. The CRTS also offers guidelines to support an employer's development and maintenance of its fall protection program to comply with the ANSI/ASSP A10.48 Standard and regulations where work is conducted.

"NATE is thrilled to offer this new resource to better facilitate and standardize climber and rescue training and ultimately improve safety in the industry," said Director of Safety, Health & Compliance Kathy Stieler. "This new CRTS document instantly becomes the Association's signature safety resource and provides an invaluable tool in the toolbox to ensure that climbing and rescue training is consistent regardless of who is conducting the training."

"The development of the NATE CRTS is a by-product of hundreds of hours of sweat equity from some of the industry's most prominent subject matter experts," said Board of Directors member John Paul Jones, who presided over the Ad-Hoc Committee that produced the new resource. "I would encourage all NATE member companies and industry stakeholders to obtain a copy of the CRTS today and incorporate the climbing and rescue requirements into their respective training programs," added Jones.

To begin the education process, the association hosted an educational session at the NATE UNITE 2022 Conference in Las Vegas



# Reese's MINIATURES

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## APRIL FOOLS' IS HERE!



PRESENTED BY BRIAN REESE

THOUGH ITS ORIGINS ARE A MYSTERY, THIS PLAYFUL AND SOMETIMES ANNOYING DAY HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY PEOPLE FOR CENTURIES.



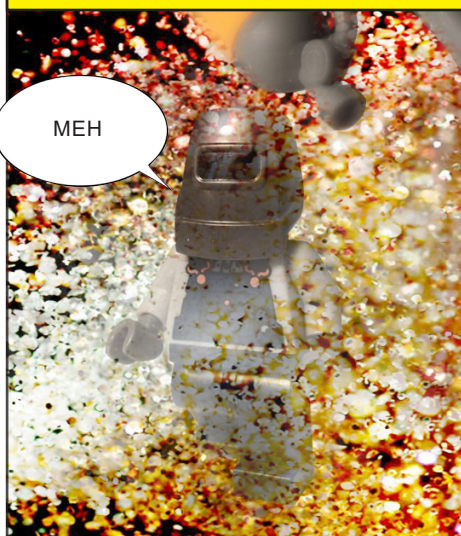
APRIL FOOLS' DAY TRADITIONS INCLUDE PLAYING HOAXES OR PRACTICAL JOKES ON OTHERS AND YELLING "APRIL FOOLS!" AT THE END.

SINCE THE EMBRACE OF APRIL FOOLS' DAY BY MEDIA AND MAJOR BRANDS HAS ENSURED THE UNOFFICIAL HOLIDAY'S LONG LIFE...



REESE'S PIECES HAS MADE THE DECISION TO JOIN THE PARTY BUT WILL HIGHLIGHT WHAT TO NEVER DO WHILE WORKING.

THERE'S NO BETTER WAY TO SAY APRIL FOOLS THAN AN EXPLODING GLITTER BOMB...



UNLESS YOU'RE WELDING.

HOBBYISTS AND PROFESSIONALS ALIKE HAVE USED DRONES FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUN...



BUT AT RTS WE WILL NEVER USE OUR DRONES FOR FRIGHTENING CHILDREN OR SMALL ANIMALS.

OSHA REQUIRES CLIMBERS, LIGHTING EMPLOYEES, AND INSPECTORS TO WEAR THE PROPER GEAR AT ALTITUDE.



THAT'S JUST ONE MORE REASON WE DON'T TIE YOUR SHOESTRINGS TOGETHER...

WHOOPEE CUSHIONS, FAKE POO, KICK ME SIGNS AND SQUIRT RINGS ARE FINE FOR SOME DAYS, AND WE HAVE FUN TOO, BUT....



WE TAKE EVERY JOB SERIOUSLY.

## NO FOOLIN'!

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