TROUBLESHOOTING 101

MIG Welding	TIG Welding
Problem: Porosity	Problem: Porosity
Possible Solutions	Possible Solutions
Inadequate shielding gas coverage Check the following: • Tip - Make sure you are using the correct size tip that is not worn or dirty • Gun Seat - Make sure the gun is inserted all the way against the gun seat • Drive Roll Tension - If the tension is set too high, the wire can become deformed and cause rough wire feeding - See manual for proper settings	Inadequate shielding gas coverage Check the following: • All gas connections for gas leaks • Shut off fans • Close doors or windows producing wind • Gas CFH should be between 20-25 (see manual) • Tungsten could be bad • Gun seat may be loose • Regulators for loose fittings or leaks
Problem: Bird Nesting	Problem: Machine Set-up
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