

# Welding Aluminum to Steel in Trucks & Trailers

## TRANSITION JOINT OVERVIEW

To permanently join metals without fasteners, NobelClad's structural transition joints enable welding aluminum to steel. Clad transition joints used in truck trailer designs can reliably secure:

- Increased strength, stiffness and total lifetime of aluminum to steel assemblies
- Corrosion resistance at the joint between aluminum and steel
- Reduction of risk and maintenance cost
- Hybrid design

For over 50 years, marine, train and defense industries benefited from welded solutions for corrosionresistance and fatigue strength. There is a clear opportunity for truck and trailer manufacturers to do the same. Contact us today.

# STRUCTURAL TRANSITION JOINTS

- Aluminum trailer cross members to steel frame rails
- Aluminum trailer decks to steel chassis
- Welding thin walls and aluminium extruded panels to the chassis



Hauling excess structural weight increases operating costs. Hybrid transition joints to **lightweight** structural trailer components lead to a **lifetime** of cost savings.

#### TUBULAR TRANSITION JOINTS

- Tubular interfaces for low weight universal joints and drive lines
- Tubular piping



Tap into the strength of steel and the lightweight properties of premium aluminum alloys, design engineers will **increase efficiency**.

### OTHER TRANSITION JOINTS

- Wear-resistant clad surfaces to lightweight
  materials
- High strength aluminum interfaces to steel
  hardware



Eliminate the risk of corrosion and eliminate the need for fasteners in design, while providing better lifetime durability and strength.

#### CUSTOM PRODUCTS FOR YOUR NEEDS

AL ALLOYS	STEEL	AVAILABLE THICKNESS	QUANTITY	CERTIFICAITON	TYPICAL TENSILE STRENGTH
3xxx 5xxx 6xxx	Mild steel High strength steel Stainless steel	2 - 50 mm .7 - 2 in	1 - 10,000+	EN ISO 3834 AWS	100 Mpa minimum*

\*Depending on aluminum grade and tensiles specimen

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