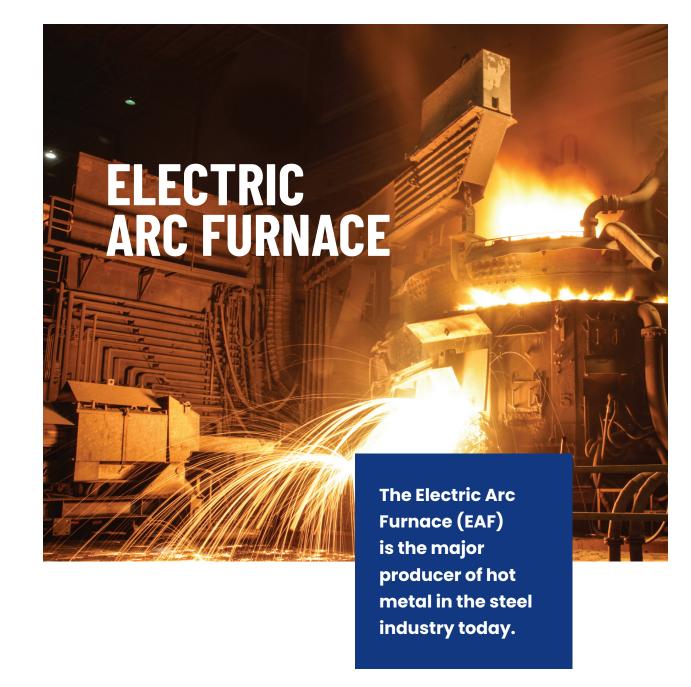


# OUR BREAKTHROUGHS IN ELECTRIC ARC FURNACES ARE DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THE INDUSTRY.



There are two types of EAFs: Alternating Current (AC) and Direct Current (DC).

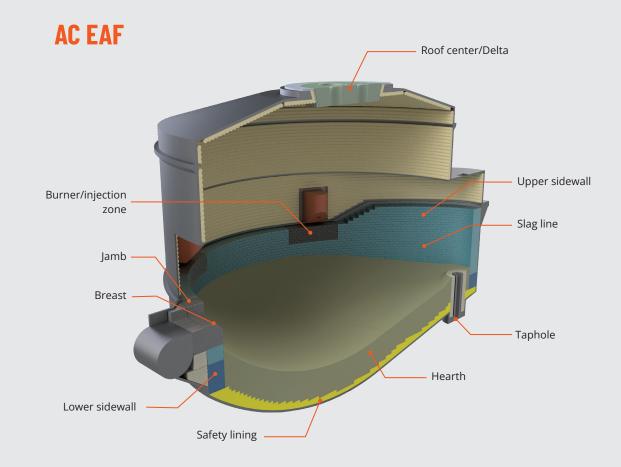
AC EAFs have three electrodes; DC EAFs have two: a cathode, a single electrode in the roof of the furnace, and an anode in the bottom of the furnace. The electrodes conduct an electrical charge, creating an arc that melts the scrap. Chemical energy is also used in the melting process to enhance melting efficiency. A number of furnace design and operational improvements have been made over time. Furnace design improvements include water-cooled panels, oxygen burners, eccentric bottom tap (EBT) tapholes, and continuous scrap feeding. Operational improvements include foamy slag, slag chemistry, and scrap compositions. These improvements have necessitated a higher degree of customization than was previously required. HarbisonWalker International (HWI) has the ability to zone the furnace with a wide range of quality refractory products to suit individual operations. HWI provides recommendations based on the standard and customized lining configurations that best complement today's steel-making practices.

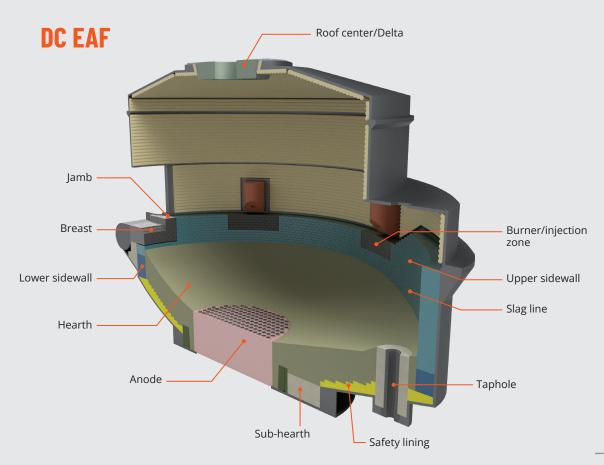
EAF TYPES

# ALTERNATING AND DIRECT CURRENT



The Alternating Current (AC) and Direct Current (DC) EAF refractory design concepts are essentially the same with the exception of the anode and sub-hearth zones where advanced high purity monolithics and specialty product solutions are employed.





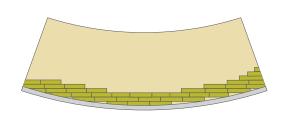
# **EAF BOTTOM DESIGN**

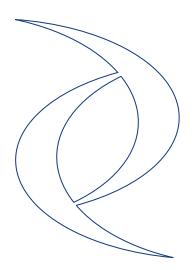
# HWI offers a variety of brick, monolithic, and combination bottom designs.

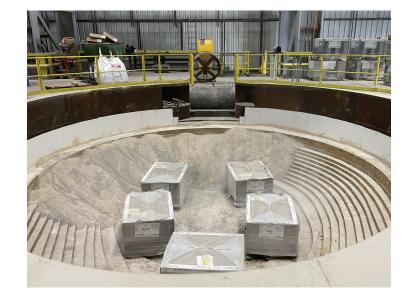
Both brick and monolithic EAF bottoms are used in the refractory industry today. Historically, the most common EAF bottom linings were high quality burned brick. Monolithic bottoms have become more popular in recent years due to cost effectiveness, ease of installation, reduced downtime, and elimination of brick joints.

#### **STADIUM**

The stadium design is the original bottom design used for EAFs, and consists of brick laid in the design of a stadium. This bottom design takes significant time and brick laying skill to install properly, but provides a certain safety factor to the operation when correctly accomplished. To repair damage to this type of bottom, brick in the damaged area must be removed and then new brick must be installed.

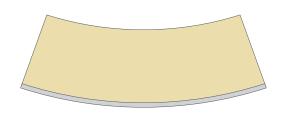






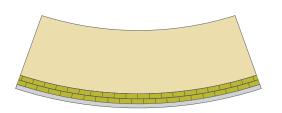
#### **MONOLITHIC**

The monolithic bottom design consists entirely of dry vibratable material. It is the easiest to install, can be installed relatively quickly, and requires little bricklaying skill. The dry vibratable material is installed via supersacks and then compacted using vibrating spikes and sleds. Repair of this type of bottom requires only removal of the steel skull and re-installation of the hearth material.



# SAFETY LINER AND MONOLITHIC (SHINER)

This design combines the best features of both the stadium and monolithic designs. The brick on the bottom is usually two or three courses of burned brick laid in a horizontal direction directly on the bottom steel shell. The dry vibratable material is then installed directly over this course of brick and vibrated in. This design combines the safety of the stadium brick bottom with the ease of installation and maintenance of the monolithic hearth bottom design.



#### RECOMMENDED HWI EAF BOTTOM PRODUCTS

LOCATION	ТҮРЕ	HWI PRODUCT	SPECIFICATION	BENEFIT
Bottom	Brick	NARMAG* HRB	Burned magnesia	- Excellent hydration resistance
		NARTAR* 7	Tar-impregnated burned magnesia	<ul><li>Excellent hydration resistance</li><li>Good slag resistance</li></ul>
	Mono- lithic	AMERICLASE H	High purity magnesia	<ul><li>High density</li><li>Low porosity</li><li>Cold installation</li></ul>
		AMERICLASE HSB	High purity magnesia	- Improved angle of repose for steep banks
		AMERICLASE HP	High purity magnesia	<ul><li>DC anode application</li><li>Reduced impurities for controlled sintering</li></ul>

# **EAF SIDEWALL LINING**

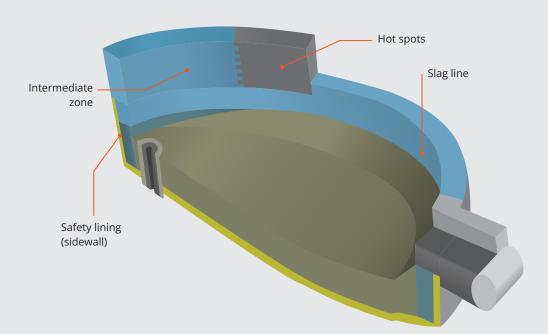
Sidewall linings are the refractories directly in contact with molten steel, slag, and atmosphere in the EAF.

They must be able to withstand thermal shock, oxidation, arc damage, localized high operating temperature, slag corrosion, and hydration in the various zones of the furnace. To mitigate the consequences of these conditions, and to optimize refractory performance, HWI zones the furnace with refractories that have been carefully customized based upon magnesia purity, carbon levels, and metal content.









#### **Intermediate Zone**

Intermediate zones are the areas of the EAF with the lowest temperatures and least amount of chemical activity.

#### **Hot Spots**

Hot Spots are the areas of the EAF most impacted by the radiant heat of the electrode and/or adjacent to the burners. These areas are subjected to the highest temperatures and the highest levels of oxidation.

#### **Slag Line**

The slag line zone requires refractories with high corrosion resistance. The corrosion takes place due to chemical reactions that occur when the metallic oxides contained in the slag come into contact with refractories.

#### **Safety Lining**

Safety linings are not subjected to the same intense operating conditions as the working lining. They are usually installed as a thermal barrier and as an additional containment measure.

#### **RECOMMENDED HWI EAF SIDEWALL PRODUCTS**

LOCATION	ТҮРЕ	HWI PRODUCT	SPECIFICATION	BENEFIT
Intermediate	Brick	EAF* 200 SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	<ul><li>Good oxidation resistance</li><li>Cost effective</li></ul>
zone		EAF® 500 SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	- Excellent oxidation resistance
	Brick	EAF* 600 SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	<ul> <li>Good temperature and oxidation resistance</li> </ul>
Hot spots		EAF* 800 SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	<ul> <li>Excellent temperature and oxidation resistance</li> </ul>
		EAF* BB SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	<ul> <li>Outstanding temperature, oxidation and thermal shock resistance</li> </ul>
	Brick	EAF* 500 SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	- Good corrosion resistance
		EAF* 600 SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	- Good corrosion and temperature resistance
Slag line		EAF® 800 SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	<ul> <li>Excellent corrosion and temperature resistance</li> </ul>
		EAF® BB SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	<ul> <li>Outstanding corrosion, temperature and thermal shock resistance</li> </ul>
	Brick	NARMAG* HRB	Burned magnesia	- Excellent hydration resistance
Safety lining		NARTAR* 7	Tar-impregnated burned magnesia	<ul><li>Excellent hydration resistance</li><li>Good slag resistance</li></ul>

# PRECAST COMPONENTS

Precast components reduce the physical stresses associated with manual brick installation. These shapes can reduce turnaround time, allow for more dimensional design configurations and zoning for localized refractory wear.



#### **ANODE RINGS**

Historically this area of the EAF was bricked for lining stability. The precast ring achieves the same purpose and can be installed in minutes.







Anode coming up through bottom

#### **RUNNERS**

A runner is a spout attached to the rear of the furnace into which a conventional taphole empties molten steel for tapping. Runners are exposed to steel erosion, slag corrosion, extreme thermal shock, and mechanical abuse. HWI's innovative runner designs and high-technology castables provide durable, cost-effective refractory solutions.



#### **ROOF CENTER/DELTA**

The delta is a refractory insert in the EAF roof through which the energized electrodes enter the furnace. Its primary function is to protect the roof from the electrode arc generated during the melting operation. The delta is exposed to arc flare, thermal shock, oxidation, chemical corrosion, post combustion, and high temperatures. HWI offers a range of refractory products and custom-fitted designs to cost effectively extend the life of the delta.



#### **RECOMMENDED HWI DELTA & RUNNER PRODUCTS**

LOCATION	ТҮРЕ	HWI PRODUCT	SPECIFICATION	BENEFIT
	Castable	UNACAST* 1005X	80% alumina	<ul><li>Good thermal shock resistance</li><li>Cost effective</li></ul>
		D-CAST* 85 GOLD CASTABLE	Ultra-low cement, high alumina	- Excellent wear resistance
Roof center/ delta		HP-CAST* 94MA-C	Ultra-low cement, spinel containing, coarse grain	- Outstanding wear resistance
		HP-CAST* 93Z3	Ultra-low cement, alumina spinel forming with zirconia	<ul><li>Excellent thermal shock resistance</li><li>Outstanding wear resistance</li></ul>
Furnace	Castable	D-CAST* 85 GOLD CASTABLE	Ultra-low cement, high alumina	- Excellent wear resistance
runner		UNACAST* NCM	Cement free spinel forming	- Outstanding wear resistance
Anode ring	Castable	versaflow* 70c	Low cement, alumina-mullite based	<ul><li>Excellent thermal shock resistance</li><li>Good mechanical strength</li></ul>

# **EAF BRICK ASSEMBLIES**

Brick assemblies reduce the physical stresses associated with manual brick installation.
Assemblies reduce reline turnaround time for improved equipment uptime.

#### PRE ASSEMBLED TAPHOLE PRODUCTS

#### **BLOCK**

Customized design for side tapping runner furnaces.





#### **SLEEVES**

Ergonomic solution for EBT tapping systems.



#### **EAF BREAST AND JAMB ASSEMBLIES**



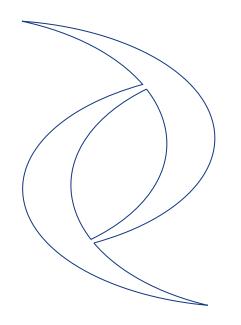


Cased and welded assemblies improve mechanical strength by replacing loose brick construction with a one piece installation. This increases the lining stability and reduces installation time.



#### **BANDED ARCH/WEDGE DESIGN**

For modular construction and reduced horizontal joints





#### **DOOR JAMB**

The door jamb area of the EAF is typically lined with individual brick that is often damaged or lost during a campaign. Welded assemblies can replace individual brick in the door jamb area to address the problems of mechanical abuse. These single-unit refractory assemblies are more durable than individual bricks, and therefore are able to withstand the impact of mobile equipment.



#### **BREAST BLOCKS**

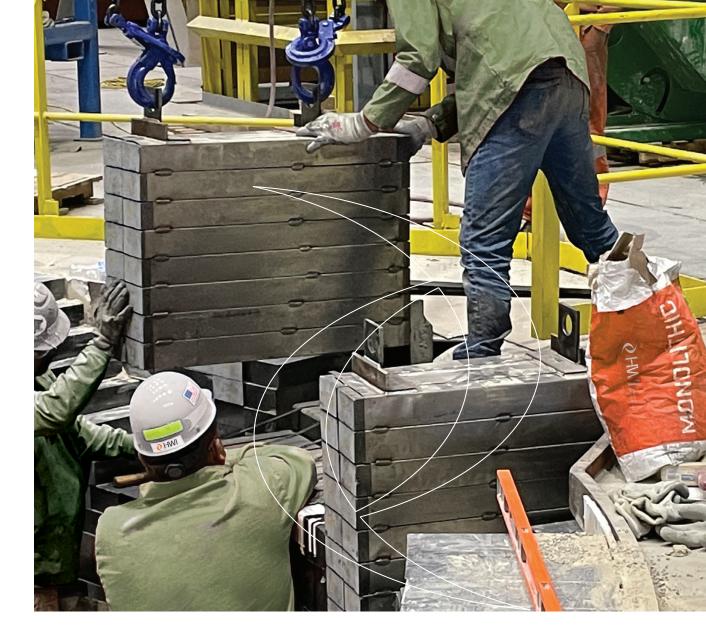
The breast block lines the area between the door jambs of the furnace extending to the exterior of the slag door. The block assemblies support the working lining and are designed to resist mechanical abuse, slag corrosion and oxidation. HWI breast block refractories can be preassembled epoxied brick, a precast shape or a combination of both.



#### **CO-MOLDED**

HWI's patented co-molded brick technology allows individual brick to fuse together making sill assemblies equivalent to one unit, providing exceptional strength and support.





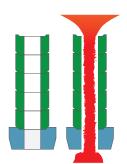
#### **RECOMMENDED HWI JAMB AND BREAST ASSEMBLY PRODUCTS**

LOCATION	ТҮРЕ	HWI PRODUCT	SPECIFICATION	BENEFIT
Welded assemblies and door jambs	Brick	EAF* 200 SERIES CO-MOLDED and CASED	Magnesia-carbon, two-sided metal casing	- Good mechanical wear resistance
		EAF* 600 SERIES CO-MOLDED and CASED	Magnesia-carbon, two-sided metal casing	<ul><li>Excellent slag resistance</li><li>Excellent mechanical wear resistance</li></ul>
		EAF* 800 SERIES CO-MOLDED and CASED	Magnesia-carbon, two-sided metal casing	<ul><li>Outstanding slag resistance</li><li>Outstanding mechanical wear resistance</li></ul>
Breast block and banded assemblies	Brick	EAF* 600 SERIES CO-MOLDED	Magnesia-carbon	<ul><li>Excellent slag resistance</li><li>Excellent mechanical wear resistance</li></ul>
		EAF* BB SERIES CO-MOLDED	Magnesia-carbon	<ul><li>Outstanding slag resistance</li><li>Excellent mechanical wear resistance</li></ul>

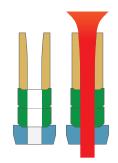
# **TAPHOLE**

# The taphole system is the mechanism for tapping the molten steel from the EAF.

There are taphole systems designed for an EBT (eccentric bottom tap) and for the conventional runner tap system. The taphole system for the EBT usually consists of an isostatically-pressed sleeve, segmented sleeves, or a combination of both; an end block; and a surround block. The taphole for a conventional sidewall tapping system can be a pressed segment, a pre-drilled brick assembly, or a pre-drilled brick assembly with an isopressed sleeve. All taphole systems are subject to steel erosion, slag corrosion, high temperatures, and thermal shock. HWI delivers high-purity magnesia-graphite taphole products with very high hot strength and slag corrosion resistance.

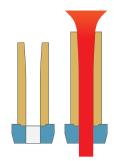


Segmented
The conventional
EBT taphole



Combotap

Combines the flexibility of segmented sleeve with the operating advantages of the ISOTAP technology



Isopressed
The dominant type
used in BOF, now
popular in EAF Market





#### **EBT SURROUND BLOCK**

#### **PRECAST**

Precast surround blocks offer flexibility in dimensional design and ease of installation. They are typically made with high purity magnesia castables for corrosion resistance but in some cases high alumina castables are employed for better strengths.



#### **PRESSED**

Pressed shapes are utilized for the modular construction of the surround block. They have higher density, lower porosity versus castables and employ magnesia carbon technology for increased refractoriness.



#### **EBT TAPHOLE SLEEVES**







#### **RECOMMENDED HWI EAF TAPHOLE PRODUCTS**

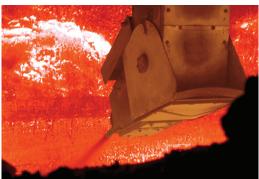
LOCATION	ТҮРЕ	HWI PRODUCT	SPECIFICATION	BENEFIT
ЕВТ	Isopressed sleeve	ISOTAP* SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	<ul> <li>Excellent slag and oxidation resistance</li> <li>Optional elliptical taper</li> <li>Less slag carryover</li> <li>Reduced nitrogen pickup</li> <li>Faster tapping speed</li> </ul>
	Segmented sleeve	TAP 300 SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	<ul><li>Excellent slag and oxidation resistance</li><li>Ease of installation</li></ul>
	End block	TAP 400 SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	<ul><li>Excellent slag and oxidation resistance</li><li>Ease of installation</li></ul>
	Surround block	NARMAG* 95 CASTABLE	Basic castable	- Excellent wear resistance
Sidewall tap	Brick	TAP 300 SERIES	Magnesia-carbon	- Excellent slag and oxidation resistance

#### VALUE-ADDED EAF SOLUTIONS

# **GUNNING MATERIAL**

Gunning material is a spray-on refractory used to repair an EAF lining. Refractory damage can occur from slag corrosion, oxidation, thermal shock, arc flare, and mechanical abuse.





HWI gunning material offers a high degree of gunnability, consistent flow through the gunning machine, excellent adhesion, low rebound and the capability to withstand the highly corrosive atmosphere of the furnace. HWI gunning material products are available for both hot and cold installation.

#### **RECOMMENDED HWI GUNNING MATERIAL**

LOCATION	ТҮРЕ	HWI PRODUCT	SPECIFICATION	BENEFIT
Sidewall	Gun mix	BASIC 187 GM-60	Magnesia-dolomite	- General purpose
		BASIC 187 GM-88	Magnesia	- General purpose
		AMERICLASE 94	High purity magnesia-dolomite	<ul><li>High performance</li><li>General purpose</li></ul>
		BASIC 187 GM-93	High purity magnesia	- High performance
Tap hole	Gun mix	BASIC 187 GM-95	High purity magnesia	- High performance
		AMERICLASE 98 S	Highest purity magnesia	- Outstanding for taphole repair

# **FETTLING MATERIAL**

Fettling material is a dry monolithic used for "hot repair" of the EAF hearth and banks.







The chemical composition of the material allows for quick sintering fast repair of the monolithic lining. HWI fettling products are designed to withstand the highly corrosive atmosphere of the furnace.

#### **RECOMMENDED HWI FETTLING MATERIAL PRODUCTS**

LOCATION	ТҮРЕ	HWI PRODUCT	SPECIFICATION	BENEFIT
	Monolithic	HOT BANK 53	Magnesia-dolomite	- General purpose
		HOT BANK 19	Magnesia-dolomite	- General purpose
Bank/		AMERICLASE HC	High purity magnesia-dolomite	<ul><li>HOT &amp; COLD installation</li><li>General purpose</li></ul>
Bottom		AMERICLASE HSB	High purity magnesia-dolomite	<ul><li>HOT &amp; COLD installation</li><li>General purpose</li><li>Improved angle of repose</li></ul>

# **INSTALLATION EQUIPMENT**

For the installation of monolithic materials, this equipment is designed for ease of movement and use during relines and repairs.

#### **VELCO GUNNING EQUIPMENT**

Automates the demanding job of manually gunning the EAF and improves the placement accuracy and speed.











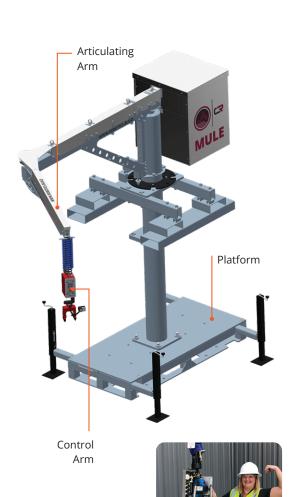
#### **EAF BANK VIBRATOR**

Accomplishes the critical de-aeration process in minutes, eliminating the need for manual de-aeration which can be physically demanding and take hours to complete.



# MULE-R

Reduce or eliminate injuries resulting from placing thousands of brick over time.



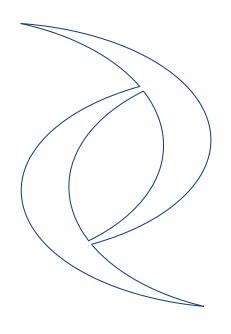
#### **MULE-R**

The MULE-R from HWI is a lift-assist device that is designed to reduce fatigue and injuries related to the repetitive motion of on-site construction.

The technology of the MULE-R allows the worker to directly interact with the product they are lifting, making heavy objects (up to 135lbs) feel weightless.

- Customizable to unique plant needs
- Vacuum gripper heads
- Potential for custom gripper head solutions
- Multiple bases allow for the equipment to be deployed in a variety of environments.





#### **BENEFITS**

- Ergonomic—Reduces Strain
- Increases Productivity
- Flexible Deployment
- Reduce Installation Cost
- Work Flow Improvement
- Expands The Labor Force



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