I was a quality inspector at the Idaho National Lab from 1977 to my retirement in 2001. During those years I worked in the Quality Department. The Quality Department was structured with management, Quality Engineers and Quality Inspectors, to name a few. The Quality Inspectors were tasked with numerous duties and responsibilities. Their duties included Non Destructive Testing, Electrical inspection, leak testing, mechanical inspection, welding inspection as well as other inspection functions. As a Certified/Qualified welding inspector, your responsibilities were to observe welding operations and provide inspection activities as required in a written work plan that had been approved by engineering. There was not a separate classification as a welding inspector. We were all listed as a Quality Inspector that were qualified as a welding inspector. Not all quality inspectors were welding inspectors. It was based upon need, your background, being able to pass specific exams etc...Thank you...Randy Eggers