KOVALUS Separation Solutions™

Pre-Startup Cleaning Procedure for Hollow Fiber Cartridges

The following cleaning procedure must be performed prior to initial use of cartridges and whenever system has been inoperative for more than four (4) hours. This procedure will remove storage solution and condition the membrane for production. Failure to follow this recommendation may lead to poor performance and will void cartridge warranty. Please refer to the Kovalus Separation Solutions™ Water Quality Guidelines on the reverse side of this document.

PRE-STARTUP CLEANING PROCEDURE				
Step 1	**Alkaline Cycle:**	**pH 10.0-10.5**	**122°F (50°C)**	**15 min.**
	Fill system with clean, soft water (122°F/50°C). Add to circulating water: • KOVKLEEN® 222 Cleaner (or KOVKLEEN WA Cleaner in Europe) to adjust ph to 10.0-10.5 Circulate solution at standard pressure and flow conditions for 15 minutes.			
Step 2	**Drain/Flush Cycle:**	**Neutral pH**	**122°F (50°C)**	**10 min.**
	Drain, then flush system with clean, soft water (122°F/50°C) using minimum three times system hold-up volume.			
Step 3	**Alkaline/Chlorine Cycle:**	**pH 10.0-10.5**	**122°F (50°C)**	**15 min.**
	Fill system with clean, soft water (122°F/50°C). Add to circulating water: • KOVKLEEN 222 Cleaner (or KOVKLEEN WA Cleaner in Europe) to adjust pH to 10.0-10.5 • KOVKLEEN 410 Cleaner to maintain 180-200 ppm total chlorine Circulate solution at standard pressure and flow conditions for 15 minutes.			
Step 4	**Drain/Flush Cycle:**	**Neutral pH**	**122°F (50°C)**	**10 min.**
	Drain, then flush system with clean, soft water (122°F/50°C) using minimum three times system hold-up volume.			
Step 5	**Water Flux:**	**Neutral pH**	**122°F (50°C)**	**10 min.**
	Record water flux value. If new membrane does not achieve minimum water flux specified for that product when corrected to 25/15 psi and 122°F (50°C), repeat Steps 1 & 2 with 0.2% (v/v) KOVKLEEN KLD III Cleaner added to Alkaline Cycle.			

For technical assistance, please contact a Cleaning Specialist at +1-978-694-7050.
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Note: If KOVKLEEN cleaners are not readily available, please contact KSS.

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Water Quality Guidelines for Cleaning and Diafiltration

For All Polymeric Membrane and Ion Exchange/Adsorbent Resin Applications

Parameter	MF/UF	NF/RO & IE/Ads. Resin
Turbidity	< 1.0 NTU	< 1.0 NTU
Suspended Solids (see Note 1)	< 5 mg/l	< 1 mg/l
Calcium (Ca)	< 10 mg/l	< 5 mg/l
Total Hardness (as $CaCO_3$)	< 60 mg/l	< 30 mg/l
Iron (Fe)	< 0.05 mg/l	< 0.05 mg/l
Zinc (Zn)	< 0.3 mg/l	< 0.05 mg/l
Copper (Cu)	< 0.1 mg/l	< 0.05 mg/l
Manganese (Mn)	< 0.05 mg/l	< 0.02 mg/l
Aluminum (Al)	< 0.05 mg/l	< 0.05 mg/l
Silica, Reactive (as SiO_2)	< 10 mg/l	< 10 mg/l
Silica, Colloidal (as SiO_2)	< 1 mg/l	< 0.1 mg/l
Silicone	0 mg/l	0 mg/l
Total Bacteria Count (TBC)	< 1000 per ml	< 1000 per ml
E-Coli Count	0 per 100 ml	0 per 100 ml
Chlorine (as NaOCl)	< 1 mg/l	0 mg/l
D-Limonene (citrus applications only)	< 5 mg/l	0 mg/l
Fats, Oils and Grease	0 mg/l	0 mg/l
Total Organic Carbon (TOC)	< 1 mg/l	< 1 mg/l
pH (standard units)	6.5 – 7.5	6.5 – 7.5

TABLE NOTES

1 The water supply must be free from particulate matter such as rust, scale, flakes, sandy and granular material, slurries, scum, algae and any chemical constituents that could foul or damage the membranes.

2 The water pH may need to be adjusted with acid or alkali depending on application and local conditions.

3 KSS membranes are available in many configurations and materials that may be affected differently by various water constituents. Softened water or evaporator condensate is generally acceptable for cleaning and flushing of polymeric membranes. Please consult with the KSS Process Group for the particular membrane in question.

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