

CHEMICAL RESISTANCE GUIDE FOR AQUACON®

GALE Pacific Aquacon® is manufactured from virgin grade PolyEthylene (PE) which inherently has very good chemical resistance to the most common materials encountered in a water contact application.

Scope and Field of Application

This document establishes a provisional classification of the chemical resistance of Aquacon® with respect to a number of chemicals. It is intended to provide general guidelines on the possible utilisation of Aquacon® for the storage of chemicals. The recommendations are provided on the basis that storage temperatures will not exceed 50 °C.

For contact with chemicals not specified of this document (or temperatures exceeding $50 \,^{\circ}$ C), contact Gale Pacific to determine their suitability of use.

Definitions, Symbols and Abbreviations

The criteria of classifications, definitions, symbols and abbreviations adopted in this document are as follows:

S = Satisfactory = The long-term performance of Aquacon is not expected to be affected due to prolonged exposure to the defined chemical

L = Limited = There is a high probability that the long-term performance of Aquacon will be reduced due to prolonged exposure to the defined chemical.

NS = Not Satisfactory = The chemical resistance of Aquacon will not be suitable for the intended chemical and will not be recommended for use in this application.

Limitation of Use

Aquacon® is NOT recommended for the containment of hazardous materials or waste (including poisonous, highly corrosive (pH<4), toxic, radioactive, flammable, etc).

Aquacon® will also have poor long term resistance to mineral and synthetic oils, gasoline, kerosene, diesel, aviation fuels, bleach solutions, strong oxidizing and fatty acids.

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Chemical Resistance of Aquacon

Chemical or Product	Concentration	Suitability
Ammonium Chloride Ammonium Sulphate Animal fat/grease Animal Sewerage/Wash-down Aviation Fuel	Saturated Solution Saturated Solution	NS S S NS
Beer Benzene Brine Bromine, Liquid	100% 100% Saturated Solution 100%	S NS S NS
Calcium Carbonate Calcium Hypochlorite Chlorine, Liquid (Active) Chlorine, Liquid (Active) Chlorine, Liquid (Active) Citric Acid	Saturated Solution 20% Up to 5ppm 5-10ppm Over 10ppm 10%	S NS S L NS S
Detergents	2%	S
Ethylene Glycol	100%	NS
Formaldehyde Fructose Fruit Juices	40%	NS S S
Gasoline, Petrol Glucose Grease (Petroleum based)	100% 20% 100%	NS S NS
Hydrochloric Acid Hydrochloric Acid Hydrochloric Acid Hydrogen Peroxide	2% Up to 10% Over 10% 3%	S L NS NS
Inks (water based)	100%	S
Kerosene Ketones	100%	NS NS
Lactic Acid	10%	S
Magnesium Chloride Magnesium Hydroxide Methyl Alcohol	Saturated Solution Saturated Solution 5%	S S L

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Milk Molasses Motor Oil (Synthetic or Natural)	100% 100% 100%	S S NS
Paraffin Oil Petrol Potassium Chloride Potassium Hydroxide	100% 100% Saturated Solution Up to 10%	L NS NS S L
Seawater Sodium Bicarbonate Sodium Chloride Sodium Hydroxide Sodium Hypochlorite Sulphuric Acid	100% Saturated Solution Saturated Solution 1% Up to 10% Up to 10%	S S S NS L
Toluene Turpentine	100% 100%	NS NS
Urea Urine	Saturated Solution 100%	S S
Vinegar	100%	S
Water (distilled, soft, hard) Wines	100%	S L
Xylene	100%	NS
Zinc Chloride	Saturate Solution	L

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