Bayoxide® E IN 30 – Industrial Quality Synthetic Iron Oxide Adsorber

Bayoxide® E IN 30 is a granular iron oxide media specifically designed for use in technical applications in which it serves as an effective filter adsorbent for removal of various species. It is an amorphous nanoparticulate ferric oxide hydroxide with a particularly high surface area and adsorption capacity. At the same time, it also offers extremely high abrasion resistance to the stream of water, which means that the filter bed remains clear without additional washing or filtering. Bayoxide® E IN 30 is applied for purification of non-drinking water sources in a simple passive pump-and-treat system applying the technology of fixed bed adsorption. When water from a source is pumped through a vessel or a series of vessels containing Bayoxide® E IN 30 it passes through a fixed bed of the media where the relevant species is adsorbed quickly and selectively.

Benefits

- Very high surface area (300 m²/g)
- High adsorption capacity (e.g., phosphate removal from aquaria: fresh water 75 g phosphate/l, seawater 59 g phosphate/l)
- Highly advanced adsorption kinetics (e.g., for arsenate, arsenite, and phosphate)
- Extremely robust mechanical properties due to high abrasion stability, which results in long media lifetime
- Simple once-through system
- Delivered as dry material

Bayoxide® E IN 30 can be used as adsorbent for various applications within the chemical industry and standard water purification installations. Since Bayoxide® E IN 30 has a significant affinity for oxoanions, it is able to selectively bind those from solutions even containing other anions such as chloride, sulfate, or nitrate.

Applications

- Phosphate removal from seawater and freshwater aquariums
- Silica removal from seawater and freshwater aquariums
- Phosphate removal from surface water, such as ponds, lakes, pools
- Arsenic removal from non-drinking water in which both arsenate As(V) as well as arsenite As(III) are safely adsorbed below 5 μg/l.
- Antimony and selenium removal from non-drinking water
- Heavy metal removal from non-drinking water, e.g., copper and lead
- Purification of mining water, process water, and streams (e.g. electroplating industry)
Features

- High resistance against oxidants (free chlorine up to 150 ppm)
- Very low backwash water volume necessary

Proper and safe handling of spent media is tested in accordance with US EPA’s Toxicity Characteristics Leaching Procedure TCLP RCRA (40 CFR 261) and, therefore, can be treated as non-hazardous waste. This is especially relevant for the removal of hazardous materials, such as arsenic, from water.

The operating capacity and therefore life expectancy of Bayoxide® E IN 30 for all applications depends on quality and composition of water to be treated and factors such as pH value, temperature, and targeted effluent limit. Bayoxide® E IN 30 selectively adsors oxoanions such as arsenate, arsenite, and phosphate even during the presence of other anions such as chloride, sulfate, or nitrate. Therefore a detailed water quality analysis including a wide range of parameters should serve as the basis for the selection of the most appropriate adsorber system and amount.

The following information provides a basis for a standard Bayoxide® set-up system. Before each implementation, prior small-scale and pilot testing is recommended. For this, rapid small-scale column tests (RSSCT) are preferable.

The Standard technical set-up of Bayoxide® E IN 30 contains two adsorber filters with parallel flow, treatment of higher contaminant feed concentrations requires two adsorber filters in series flow configuration.

Standard recommendations

- Gravel underbedding
- Simplest configuration contains two adsorber filters with parallel flow, treatment of higher contaminant feed concentrations requires two adsorber filters in series flow configuration
- Standard start-up requires backwash for fines removal, followed by soaking for 4 to 24 hours for wetting
- Downflow operation
- Contact time (EBCT) between 5 to 10 minutes, for specialized applications EBTC is increased up to 20 minutes
- Periodic backwash for dirt and particle removal and for media fluffing for maximum capacity utilization

Technical conditions

- Filter arrangement: lead-lag, merry-go-round
- Operation mode: downflow
- Flow rate: 5–10 BV/h
- Freeboard: 40–100 %
- EBCT1: 5–15 min.

1 Empty bed contact time.

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