# Depth Filtration BECO<sup>®</sup> ACF 07 (Food Grade)

# **Activated Carbon Depth Filter Sheets with Protective Paper**

BECO ACF 07 depth filter sheets are ideal for the demanding liquid filtration applications of the beverage and food industries.

The specific advantages of BECO ACF 07 depth filter sheets:

- High adsorption power for decolorizing and aroma correcting.
- Complex fiber and cavity structure with a large interior surface for the widest range of applications and operating conditions.
- BECO ACF 07 depth filter sheets with protective paper are easy to use and allow dust-free handling.

## **Adsorption through Activated Carbon**

The activated carbon of BECO ACF 07 depth filter sheet is a micro-porous inert material, which is acid-washed and steam-activated. When products are cleaned or decolorized, a physical bond is created between the interior surfaces of the activated carbon and the unclean or colored substances. Since this bond is largely non-polar, there is a great affinity to organic molecules.

## **Factors Affecting the Adsorption Capacity**

## Filtration temperature

The quantity of adsorbed substances increases at lower temperatures and the thus decreasing diffusion rate because the adsorption balance ensues more slowly. The adsorption capacity can likewise be increased if the properties and structure of the substances to be filtered are changed by rising temperatures.

## **Filtration Speed**

Adsorption processes are decisively affected by the contact time between the product and the adsorbing substance. The adsorption performance can thus be controlled by the speed of filtration. Slow filtration speeds and extended periods of contact result in optimum utilization of the adsorption capacity.



## Water throughput BECO ACF 07 (Food Grade)



## **Application Examples**

Taste and color correcting of beverages, spirits, and fruit juices.

## Components

BECO ACF 07 depth filter sheets are made from particularly pure natural materials using finely fibrillated cellulose fibers and cationic charge carriers as well as high quality diatomaceous earth, and acid-washed, steam-activated carbon.



### **Physical Data**

This information is intended as a guideline for the selection of BECO depth filter sheets.

Туре	Article no.	Thickness	Ash content	Bursting strength wet	Water throughput at	
		in (mm)	%	psi (kPa)	Δ p = 14.5 psi gpm/ft <sup>2</sup>	(Δ p = 100 kPa* I/m²/min)
ACF 07 (Food Grade)	19307	0.14 (3.6)	16.0	> 4.3 (30)	14.7	(600)

The water throughput is a laboratory value characterizing the different BECO depth filter sheets. It is not the recommended flow rate.

BECO ACF 07 depth filter sheets meet the requirements of LFGB (German Food, Commodity, and Feed Act), Recommendation XXXVI/1 issued by BfR (Federal Institute of Risk Assessment), and the test criteria of FDA (Food and Drug Administration; USA)Directive CFR 21 § 177.2260.

#### **Instructions for Correct Use**

BECO depth filter sheets require careful handling when inserting them into the plate and frame filter. Avoid banging, bending, and rubbing the sheets. Do not use damaged depth filter sheets.

#### Inserting

Each BECO depth filter sheet has a rough side and a smooth side. The rough side is the unfiltrate side; the smooth side is the filtrate side. Always ensure that the filtrate side is in contact with the clear filtrate plate when inserting the sheets.

#### **Filter Preparation**

Unless already completed after sterilization, Eaton recommends pre-rinsing the closed filter with 13.2 gal (50 l) of water per square meter at 1.25 times the flow rate prior to the first filtration. Depending on the application, this usually equals a rinsing time of 10 to 20 minutes. Test the entire filter for leakage at maximum operating pressure.

High-proof alcohol solutions and chemical products that do not allow pre-rinsing with water should be circulated for 10 to 20 minutes. Dispose of the rinsing solution after rinsing.

### **Differential Pressure**

Terminate the filtration process when a differential pressure of 43.5 psi (300 kPa, 3 bar) is reached.

#### Sterilization

The wetted BECO ACF 07 depth filter sheets are sterilized with steam. The pressed filter package should be loosened slightly. Do not apply final pressure until after the filter package has cooled down.

## Sterilizing with Steam:

Quality: The steam must free of foreign

particles and impurities.

Temperature: Max 250 °F (121 °C)

Duration: 20 minutes after steam escapes from

all filter valves.

Rinsing: After sterilizing with 13.2 gal/sqm

(50 l/m²) at 1.25 times the flow rate

#### Important notice:

All vent and discharge valves must be slightly opened for optimal sterilization effect and to avoid the steam shock.

#### Safety

When used and handled correctly, there are no known unfavorable effects associated with this product.

Further safety information can be found in the relevant Material Safety Data Sheet, which can be downloaded from our website.

#### **Waste Disposal**

Due to their composition BECO ACF 07 depth filter sheets are biodegradable. Comply with relevant current regulations, depending on the filtered product.

#### Storage

BECO ACF 07 depth filter sheets are comprised of strongly adsorbent materials. The product must be handled carefully during shipping and storage.

Store the BECO depth filter sheets in a dry, odor-free, and well-ventilated place.

Do not expose depth filter sheets to direct sunlight.

BECO depth filter sheets are intended for immediate use and should be used within 24 months of delivery.

## Available Formats

All common square or round filter sizes are available for delivery. Special formats are available on request.

HS Customs Tariff: 4812 00 00

## **Quality Assurance According to DIN EN ISO 9001**

Eaton's Begerow Product Line comprehensive Quality Management System has been certified according to DIN EN ISO 9001.

This certification verifies that a fully functioning comprehensive Quality Assurance System covering product development, contract controls, choice of suppliers, receiving inspections, production, final inspection, inventory management, and shipment has been implemented.

Extensive quality assurance measures incorporate adherence to technical function criteria and chemical purity and quality recognized as safe under the German legislation governing the production of foods and beverages.

<sup>\* 100</sup> kPa = 1 bar

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