

Operating Instructions Chlorine & Chlorine Dioxide Badge (Part Number: 382003)

Introduction

Chlorine is a greenish-yellow gas with a pungent, irritating odor. Generally, chlorine is a potent respiratory system irritant. Mild exposures to chlorine cause burning of eyes, nose and mouth. Exposure to high concentrations (e.g. 1000 ppm) is likely to be fatal. The OSHA PEL (permissible exposure limit) for chlorine is 1 ppm (ceiling), whereas the NIOSH REL (recommended exposure limit) is 0.5 ppm (TWA).

Chlorine is an important chemical commodity widely used in the production of safe drinking water. It is also extensively used in the production of paper products, dyestuffs, textiles, petroleum products, chlorinated solvents, etc.

Chlorine dioxide is a yellow to reddish-yellow gas with an unpleasant odor similar to chlorine and suggestive of nitric acid. Exposure may be highly irritating to the skin and mucous membranes of the respiratory tract and may cause pulmonary edema (abnormal fluid buildup in the lungs). OSHA and NIOSH exposure limit for chlorine dioxide is 0.1 ppm (TWA).

Chlorine dioxide is used in the purification of water, the tanning and detanning of leather and the bleaching of cellulose, flour, leather, fats and textiles, as well as in the paper and pulp industry.

Principle of Operation

The SafeAir chlorine & chlorine dioxide badge is a monitoring system designed to indicate the presence of chlorine and/or chlorine dioxide at concentrations below the permissible exposure limit. The SafeAir chlorine & chlorine dioxide badge detects the presence of chlorine and/or chlorine dioxide by forming a color change in the shape of an exclamation mark inside the triangle. This indication is produced by a color-forming reaction, which occurs when the contaminant(s) react with a flat indicator layer. The SafeAir chlorine & chlorine dioxide badge is a dual-purpose badge. The color change may appear on the front if chlorine is present and/or the backside of the badge if chlorine dioxide is present depending upon the level of exposure of the two contaminants.

Physical Specifications:

Dimensions 74 mm x 41 mm x 1 mm Weight 1.5 g Refrigerated shelf life 1 year Color change:

Chlorine Chlorine Dioxide off-white to gray

Sampling Parameters:

Exposure level Minimum detectable limit (8 hours) Maximum recommended sampling time Minimum recommended sampling time Relative humidity range Face velocity range Temperature range

Color stability

Light effect – UV (direct sunlight) Light effect - visible

yellow to orange

Chlorine Dioxide Chlorine

0.18 ppm·hr 0.2 ppm·hr 0.025 ppm 0.025 ppm 10 hours 10 hours 15 minutes 15 minutes 25% - 90% 25% - 90% 10 - 150 cm/sec 10 - 150 cm/sec 10°C - 40°C 10°C - 40°C (50°F - 104°F) (50°F - 104°F) no effect for 16 hr no effect for 10 hr no effect no effect 4 weeks 4 weeks

Known Interferences: **Chlorine:** bromine, iodine and hydrogen chloride.

Chlorine Dioxide: nitrogen dioxide and high concentrations of ozone

Operating Instructions

- Allow the badge to warm to room temperature prior to removing the badge from its protective pouch.
- Remove activation label before monitoring.
- 3. For personnel monitoring, attach the badge near the user's breathing zone (i.e. the collar) with the front side exposed to the surrounding atmosphere.
- For area monitoring, attach the badge to a stand and mount in a centralized area with the front side exposed to the surrounding atmosphere.
- The exclamation mark appears within the triangle on the front side of the badge when chlorine is present at or above 0.18 ppm hr. The exclamation mark appears within the triangle on the back side of the badge when chlorine dioxide is present at or above 0.2 ppm·hr.

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