



Dow Filmtec Membrane BW30-400 Product Data Sheet

Dow Membrane BW30-400 RO Element, High Rejection, High Active Surface Area For Brackish Water

DOW FILMTEC™ BW30-400 Element

Description

The DOW™ FILMTEC™ BW30-400 is a preferred product when there is a demand on high quality permeate. It was among the first available 400 square foot membrane element in the water treatment industry.

Ideal for: reverse osmosis plant managers and operators dealing with controlled pre-treatment waters and seeking consistent, high performance, long element life and increased productivity.

Offering decades of proven performance, DOW FILMTEC™ BW30-400:

- Delivers high quality permeate water while minimizing CAPEX
- Offers most effective cleaning performance, robustness and durability due to its widest cleaning pH range (1 – 13) tolerance and the support of Dow technical representatives



Product Type

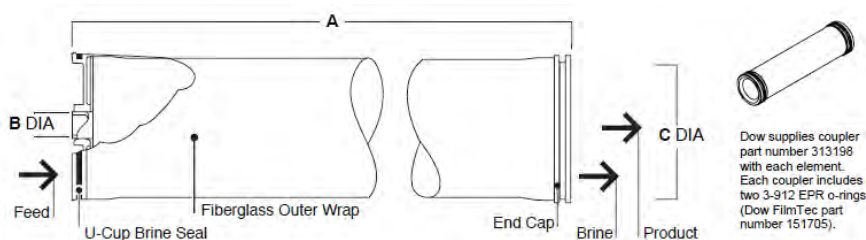
Spiral-wound element with polyamide thin-film composite membrane

Product Specifications

DOW FILMTEC™ Element	Active Area		Feed Spacer Thickness (mil)	Permeate Flow Rate		Typical Stabilized Salt Rejection (%)	Minimum Salt Rejection (%)
	(ft ²)	(m ²)		(GPD)	(m ³ /d)		
BW30-400	400	37	28	10,500	40	99.5	99.0

1. Permeate flow and salt (NaCl) rejection based on the following standard test conditions: 2,000 ppm NaCl, 225 psi (15.5 bar), 77°F (25°C), pH 8, 15% recovery.
2. Flow rates for individual elements may vary but will be no more than 15% below the value shown.
3. Stabilized salt rejection is generally achieved within 24-48 hours of continuous use; depending upon feedwater characteristics and operating conditions.
4. Sales specifications may vary as design revisions take place.
5. Active area guaranteed ± 3%. Active area as stated by Dow Water & Process Solutions is not comparable to nominal membrane area often stated by some manufacturers. Measurement method described in Form No. 609-00434.

Element Dimensions



DOW FILMTEC™ Element	A		B		C	
	(in.)	(mm)	(in.)	(mm)	(in.)	(mm)
BW30-400	40.0	1,016	1.125 ID	29 ID	7.9	201

1. Refer to Dow Water & Process Solutions Design Guidelines for multiple-element applications. 1 inch = 25.4 mm
2. Element to fit nominal 8-inch (203-mm) I.D. pressure vessel.

Operating and Cleaning Limits

Maximum Operating Temperature ^a	113°F (45°C)
Maximum Operating Pressure	600 psig (41 bar)
Maximum Element Pressure Drop	15 psig (1.0 bar)
pH Range, Continuous Operation ^a	2 – 11
pH Range, Short-Term Cleaning (30 min.) ^b	1 – 13
Maximum Feed Silt Density Index (SDI)	SDI 5
Free Chlorine Tolerance ^c	< 0.1 ppm

^a Maximum temperature for continuous operation above pH 10 is 95°F (35°C).

^b Refer to Cleaning Guidelines in specification sheet 609-23010.

^c Under certain conditions, the presence of free chlorine and other oxidizing agents will cause premature membrane failure. Since oxidation damage is not covered under warranty, Dow Water & Process Solutions recommends removing residual free chlorine by pretreatment prior to membrane exposure. Please refer to technical bulletin ["Dechlorinating Feedwater"](#) for more information.

Additional Important Information

Before use or storage, review these additional resources for important information:

- [Usage Guidelines for DOW FILMTEC™ 8" Elements](#)
- [System Operation: Initial Start-Up](#)

Regulatory Note

These membranes may be subject to drinking water application restrictions in some countries; please check the application status before use and sale.

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