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# List of 24 Design of a Plastic Media Trickling Filter Formulas

## Design of a Plastic Media Trickling Filter

### Area of Filter

#### 1) Area of Filter with known volumetric flow rate and flow velocity

$$\text{fx } A = \left( \frac{V}{V_f} \right)$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 3.003755\text{m}^2 = \left( \frac{24\text{m}^3/\text{s}}{7.99\text{m/s}} \right)$$

### Dosing Rate

#### 2) Dosing Rate given Rotational Speed

$$\text{fx } \text{DR} = \frac{1.6 \cdot Q_T}{N \cdot n}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 32 = \frac{1.6 \cdot 12\text{m/s}}{4 \cdot 9\text{rev/min}}$$



### 3) Number of Arms in Rotary Distributor Assembly given Rotational Speed



$$fx \quad N = \frac{1.6 \cdot Q_T}{n \cdot DR}$$

[Open Calculator](#)

$$ex \quad 4 = \frac{1.6 \cdot 12m/s}{9rev/min \cdot 32}$$

### 4) Rotational Speed of Distribution



$$fx \quad n = \frac{1.6 \cdot Q_T}{N \cdot DR}$$

[Open Calculator](#)

$$ex \quad 9rev/min = \frac{1.6 \cdot 12m/s}{4 \cdot 32}$$

### 5) Total applied Hydraulic Loading Rate given Rotational Speed



$$fx \quad Q_T = \frac{n \cdot N \cdot DR}{1.6}$$

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$$ex \quad 12m/s = \frac{9rev/min \cdot 4 \cdot 32}{1.6}$$



## Hydraulic Loading Rate

### 6) Hydraulic Loading of Filter

$$\text{fx } H = \frac{V}{A}$$

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$$\text{ex } 8\text{m/s} = \frac{24\text{m}^3/\text{s}}{3\text{m}^2}$$

### 7) Influent Wastewater Hydraulic Loading Rate given Total Hydraulic Loading Rate

$$\text{fx } Q = (Q_T - Q_R)$$

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$$\text{ex } 6.5\text{m/s} = (12\text{m/s} - 5.5\text{m/s})$$

### 8) Recycle Flow Hydraulic Loading Rate given Total Hydraulic Loading Rate

$$\text{fx } Q_R = (Q_T - Q)$$

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$$\text{ex } 5.5\text{m/s} = (12\text{m/s} - 6.5\text{m/s})$$

### 9) Total Applied Hydraulic Loading Rate

$$\text{fx } Q_T = (Q + Q_R)$$

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$$\text{ex } 12\text{m/s} = (6.5\text{m/s} + 5.5\text{m/s})$$



## Organic Loading

### 10) Area of Filter given Organic Loading

$$fx \quad A = \frac{BOD_5}{O_L \cdot L_f}$$

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$$ex \quad 3m^2 = \frac{225kg/d}{30kg/d \cdot m^2 \cdot 2.5m}$$

### 11) BOD Load given Organic Loading

$$fx \quad BOD_5 = O_L \cdot A \cdot L_f$$

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$$ex \quad 225kg/d = 30kg/d \cdot m^2 \cdot 3m^2 \cdot 2.5m$$

### 12) Filter Length given Organic Loading

$$fx \quad L_f = \frac{BOD_5}{O_L \cdot A}$$

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$$ex \quad 2.5m = \frac{225kg/d}{30kg/d \cdot m^2 \cdot 3m^2}$$

### 13) Organic Loading to Trickling Filter

$$fx \quad O_L = \left( \frac{BOD_5}{A \cdot L_f} \right)$$

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$$ex \quad 30kg/d \cdot m^2 = \left( \frac{225kg/d}{3m^2 \cdot 2.5m} \right)$$



## Treatability Constant

### 14) Depth of Actual Filter using Treatability Constant

$$\text{fx } D_2 = D_1 \cdot \left( \frac{K_{30/20}}{K_{30/25}} \right)^{\frac{1}{a}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 7.593569\text{m} = 6.1\text{m} \cdot \left( \frac{28.62}{26.80} \right)^{\frac{1}{0.3}}$$

### 15) Depth of Reference Filter using Treatability Constant

$$\text{fx } D_1 = D_2 \cdot \left( \frac{K_{30/25}}{K_{30/20}} \right)^{\frac{1}{a}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 6.105166\text{m} = 7.6\text{m} \cdot \left( \frac{26.80}{28.62} \right)^{\frac{1}{0.3}}$$


### 16) Empirical Constant given Treatability Constant

$$\text{fx } a = \left( \frac{\ln\left(\frac{K_{30/25}}{K_{30/20}}\right)}{\ln\left(\frac{D_1}{D_2}\right)} \right)$$

Open Calculator 

$$\text{ex } 0.298845 = \left( \frac{\ln\left(\frac{26.80}{28.62}\right)}{\ln\left(\frac{6.1\text{m}}{7.6\text{m}}\right)} \right)$$



17) Temperature Activity Coefficient given Treatability Constant 

$$fx \quad \theta = \left( \frac{K_{30/20}}{K_{20/20}} \right)^{\frac{1}{T-20}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 1.035 = \left( \frac{28.62}{0.002} \right)^{\frac{1}{25^{\circ}C-20}}$$

18) Treatability Constant at 20 Degrees Celsius and 20 ft Filter Depth 

$$fx \quad K_{20/20} = \frac{K_{30/20}}{(\theta)^{T-20}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 0.002 = \frac{28.62}{(1.035)^{25^{\circ}C-20}}$$

19) Treatability Constant at 30 degree Celsius and 20 ft Filter Depth 

$$fx \quad K_{30/20} = K_{30/25} \cdot \left( \frac{D_2}{D_1} \right)^a$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 28.62727 = 26.80 \cdot \left( \frac{7.6m}{6.1m} \right)^{0.3}$$



20) Treatability Constant at 30 degree Celsius and 25 ft Filter Depth 

$$fx \quad K_{30/25} = K_{30/20} \cdot \left( \frac{D_1}{D_2} \right)^a$$

Open Calculator 


$$ex \quad 26.79319 = 28.62 \cdot \left( \frac{6.1m}{7.6m} \right)^{0.3}$$

21) Treatability Constant at 30 degrees Celsius and 20 ft Filter Depth 

$$fx \quad K_{30/20} = K_{20/20} \cdot (\theta)^{T-20}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 28.62123 = 0.002 \cdot (1.035)^{25^\circ C - 20}$$

22) Wastewater Temperature using Treatability Constant 

$$fx \quad T = 20 + \left( \ln \left( \frac{K_{30/20}}{K_{20/20}} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\ln(\theta)} \right) \right)$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 24.99875^\circ C = 20 + \left( \ln \left( \frac{28.62}{0.002} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\ln(1.035)} \right) \right)$$

Volumetric Flow Rate 23) Flowrate applied to Filter without Recirculation 

$$fx \quad V = Q_v \cdot A$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 24m^3/s = 8m/s \cdot 3m^2$$





## 24) Volumetric Flowrate applied Per Unit of Filter Area given Discharge and Area

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$$\text{fx } Q_v = \left( \frac{V}{A} \right)$$

$$\text{ex } 8\text{m/s} = \left( \frac{24\text{m}^3/\text{s}}{3\text{m}^2} \right)$$











## Variables Used

- **a** Empirical Constant
- **A** Area of Filter (*Square Meter*)
- **BOD<sub>5</sub>** BOD Loading to Filter (*Kilogram per Day*)
- **D<sub>1</sub>** Depth of Reference Filter (*Meter*)
- **D<sub>2</sub>** Depth of Actual Filter (*Meter*)
- **DR** Dosing Rate
- **H** Hydraulic Loading (*Meter per Second*)
- **K<sub>20/20</sub>** Treatability Constant at 20°C and 20ft Depth
- **K<sub>30/20</sub>** Treatability Constant at 30°C and 20ft Depth
- **K<sub>30/25</sub>** Treatability Constant at 30°C and 25ft Depth
- **L<sub>f</sub>** Filter Length (*Meter*)
- **n** Rotational Speed of Distribution (*Revolution per Minute*)
- **N** Number of Arms
- **O<sub>L</sub>** Organic Loading (*kilogram per Day Square Meter*)
- **Q** Influent Wastewater Hydraulic Loading Rate (*Meter per Second*)
- **Q<sub>R</sub>** Recycle Flow Hydraulic Loading Rate (*Meter per Second*)
- **Q<sub>T</sub>** Total Applied Hydraulic Loading Rate (*Meter per Second*)
- **Q<sub>v</sub>** Volumetric Flow per Unit Area (*Meter per Second*)
- **T** Wastewater Temperature (*Celsius*)
- **V** Volumetric Flow Rate (*Cubic Meter per Second*)
- **V<sub>f</sub>** Flow Velocity (*Meter per Second*)
- **θ** Temperature Activity Coefficient



## Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Function:** **ln**,  $\ln(\text{Number})$   
*The natural logarithm, also known as the logarithm to the base e, is the inverse function of the natural exponential function.*
- **Measurement:** **Length** in Meter (m)  
*Length Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement:** **Temperature** in Celsius ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )  
*Temperature Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement:** **Area** in Square Meter ( $\text{m}^2$ )  
*Area Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement:** **Speed** in Meter per Second (m/s)  
*Speed Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement:** **Frequency** in Revolution per Minute (rev/min)  
*Frequency Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement:** **Volumetric Flow Rate** in Cubic Meter per Second ( $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ )  
*Volumetric Flow Rate Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement:** **Mass Flow Rate** in Kilogram per Day (kg/d)  
*Mass Flow Rate Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement:** **Solid Loading Rate** in kilogram per Day Square Meter ( $\text{kg}/\text{d}\cdot\text{m}^2$ )  
*Solid Loading Rate Unit Conversion* 



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