



Product Data Sheet

AmberLite™ FPA66 Ion Exchange Resin

Macroporous, Weak Base Anion Resin for Sweetener Applications

Description

AmberLite™ FPA66 Ion Exchange Resin is a macroporous, weak base anion resin for use in deashing sweeteners to produce low-conductivity syrups or deashing/demineralizing fruit juices, other beverages, and food additives. The macroporous matrix provides excellent mechanical strength and high operating capacity.

Applications

- Corn and starch sweetener deashing
- Juice deacidification
- Whey, gelatin, and glycerin deashing and decolorizing

Typical Properties

Physical Properties

Copolymer	Styrene-divinylbenzene
Matrix	Macroporous
Type	Weak base anion
Functional Group	Tertiary amine
Physical Form	White to yellow, opaque, spherical beads

Chemical Properties

Ionic Form as Shipped	Free base (FB)
Total Exchange Capacity	≥ 1.6 eq/L
Weak Base Capacity	≥ 1.35 eq/L
Water Retention Capacity	40 – 46%

Particle Size §

Particle Diameter	300 – 1200 µm
< 350 µm	≤ 8%
> 1000 µm	≤ 5%

Stability

Whole Beads	≥ 90%
Swelling	FB → HCl : 20%

Density

Particle Density	1.04 g/mL
Shipping Weight	640 g/L

§ For additional particle size information, please refer to the [Particle Size Distribution Cross Reference Chart](#) (Form No. 45-D00954-en).

Suggested Operating Conditions

Maximum Operating Temperature (OH ⁻ form)	60°C (140°F)		
pH Range	0 – 7		
Bed Depth, min.	910 mm (3.0 ft)		
Flowrates			
Service	2 – 4 BV*/h		
Backwash	See Figure 1		
Fast Rinse (if applicable)	2 – 10 BV/h		
Contact Time			
Regeneration	≥ 30 – 45 minutes		
Displacement Rinse	≥ 30 – 45 minutes		
Total Rinse Requirement	4 – 6 BV		
Regenerant	NaOH †	Na ₂ CO ₃	NH ₄ OH
Concentration	4%	5%	5%
Level, 100% basis ‡	80 – 96 kg/m ³ (5 – 6 lb/ft ³)	112 – 128 kg/m ³ (7 – 8 lb/ft ³)	80 – 96 kg/m ³ (5 – 6 lb/ft ³)
Temperature, max.	60°C (140°F)	60°C (140°F)	60°C (140°F)

* 1 BV (Bed Volume) = 1 m³ solution per m³ resin or 7.5 gal per ft³ resin

† NaOH is recommended.

‡ Regeneration level may be lower for counter-current regeneration systems.

Hydraulic Characteristics

Bed expansion of AmberLite™ FPA66 Ion Exchange Resin as a function of backwash flowrate at 25°C (77°F) is shown in Figure 1. The flowrate necessary to achieve a desired bed expansion for other water temperatures can be calculated with the provided equations.

Pressure drop data for AmberLite™ FPA66 as a function of service flowrate and viscosity is shown in Figure 2. These pressure drop expectations are valid at the start of the service run with clean feed.

Figure 1: Backwash Expansion

Temperature = 25°C (77°F)

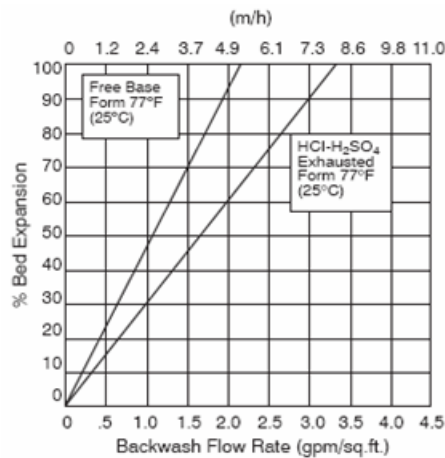
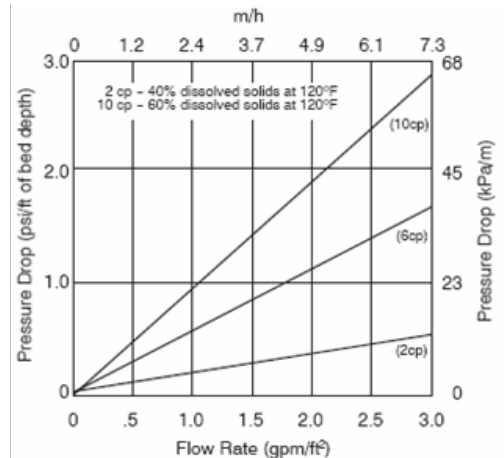


Figure 2: Pressure Drop

Viscosity = 2 – 10 cP



For other temperatures use:

$$F_T = F_{25^\circ\text{C}} [1 + 0.008 (1.8T_C - 45)], \text{ where } F \equiv \text{m/h}$$

$$F_T = F_{77^\circ\text{F}} [1 + 0.008 (T_F - 77)], \text{ where } F \equiv \text{gpm/ft}^2$$

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- **WARNING:** Oxidizing agents such as nitric acid attack organic ion exchange resins under certain conditions. This could lead to anything from slight resin degradation to a violent exothermic reaction (explosion). Before using strong oxidizing agents, consult sources knowledgeable in handling such materials.

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