# **CHEMTRONICS Technical Data Sheet**

TDS # QbE

# **QbE**<sup>®</sup> Cleaning System

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The QbE® Cleaning Platforms are the patented Precision Wipe System for cleaning fiber optic end-faces. They are self-contained cleaning tools that can be used "dry" to "wet" for the most thorough end face cleaning possible. The QbE® is convenient and economical for use in field or OEM applications.

- Complete Fiber Optic Cleaning System No refills to buy or investment in expensive mechanisms to maintain
- Effective "Wet" to "Dry" Connector Cleaning – The only cleaning system that gives both options: For "Wet" cleaning use Fiberwash® MX Fiber Optics Cleaner for tough soils, AQ for water-based contamination, or NF for fast drying, low VOC application
- Provides the Ideal Cleaning Surface The QbE® cleaning platen is perfect for outside plant or OEM application
- Convenient Size Portable cleaning system easily fits on work benches
- Heavy Duty Lint-Free Wiping Material Tough enough to remove buffer-gel; soft enough for all end-face cleaning. Won't shred or tear
- Patented U. S Patent Number 6,865,770 and foreign patents

#### TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

QbE<sup>®</sup> wipes are used in Fiber Optic and Telecommunications applications for:

- End-Face Connector Cleaning
- Splice Preparation
- · Buffer Gel Removal

The QbE<sup>®</sup> Cleaning Platforms are available in four configuriations:

#### **QbE**<sup>®</sup> Cleaning Platform

- 3" x 3" wipes, with 200 wipes per box and a flat cleaning platen;
- For connectors without alignment pins;
- Up to 800 cleaning per platform

#### **QbE®-R Cleaning Platform**3" x 3" 200/Box,

- 3" x 3" wipes, with 200 wipes per box and a raised /ridged cleaning platform;
- Cleans all FTTx connector geometries, including SC/LC, MT-Type, OptiFit®, and e2000 by cleaning the entire connector;
- Up to 800 cleaning per platform

#### **QbE**<sup>®</sup>-2 Cleaning Platform

- 1.375" x 3" wipes, with 200 wipes per box and a flat cleaning platen;
- For connectors without alignment pins;
- Up to 400 cleaning per platform

#### **Pocket QbE® Cleaning Platform**

- 1.375" x 3" wipes, with 200 wipes per box and a raised /ridged cleaning platform;
- Cleans all FTTx connector geometries, including SC/LC, MT-Type, OptiFit®, and e2000 by cleaning the entire connector;
- Up to 400 cleaning per platform

#### **COMPATIBILITY**

QbE® wipes are compatible with most common solvents such as alcohols, hydrocarbons and chlorinated solvents. The wipes are also generally compatible with dilute or weak acids.

## TYPICAL PRODUCT DATA AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

QbE® wipes are 100% noncontaminating material. These wipes have high absorbency and contamination entrapment capacity, as well as high wet strength.

- Excellent solvent resistance
- Excellent particle entrapment
- High absorbency capacity and rate
- Very low solvent extractables
- High wet strength

## TECHNICAL AND APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

Chemtronics provides a technical hotline to answer your technical and application related questions. The toll free number is: **1-800-TECH-401**.

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# USAGE INSTRUCTIONS Combination Cleaning<sup>TM</sup> with the QbE<sup>®</sup>

- 1. Pull one QbE® Wipe over the fiber-safe foam platen.
- 2. Hold the end face at a 90 degree perpendicular to the platen.
- 3. Draw the end face lightly from the solvent wetted area to the dry area over the platen, using a smooth linear motion do not press too hard.
- 4. Do not retrace your cleaning procedure in the same area.
- 5. Do not use a figure-eight motion; do not use a "twist & turn" motion.
- 6. Check your work with a fiber scope or measuring device.

#### **For Splice Preparation**

- 1. Lightly moisten QbE® wipe and gently wipe away fiber contaminants.
- 2. Lightly dampen a 38540ESD swab, remove soil from V-grooves on fusion splicer.

#### **Buffer Gel Removal**

- 1. Pull three single QbE® Wipers out of the container.
- 2. Spray a small amount of Electro-Wash® PX Fiber Optic Cleaner into the folded wipers.
- 3. Pull the cable through the first wiper and discard.
- 4. Repeat until the cable "squeaks" clean.



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