

PHIX® Owners Manual Acid Neutralization Systems

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PHIX[®] Cartridge Acid Neutralization System

Zurn PHIX® Media is proven to last up to 30 times longer than limestone for acid waste neutralization.

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Congratulations!

You now have the most efficient and innovative wastewater neutralization system. The PHIX Cartridge System, manufactured by Zurn, is a point-source acidic wastewater treatment solution complying with local plumbing codes throughout North America. Your engineered system protects your building's plumbing piping and the local sanitary sewer infrastructure from corrosive acids.

Now, you have a safe, easy and worry-free neutralization solution treating low pH where it starts – at the sink.

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1) PHIX Cartridge Overview

1.1 The PHIX Advantage

Traditional wastewater neutralization relies on old, ineffective and often toxic and hazardous technologies to treat acidic wastewater. PHIX technology represents the next generation in point-source/in-line wastewater neutralization and can be used in various applications requiring pH adjustment in the treatment process, to ensure effluents meet by-law regulations.

PHIX neutralization systems are point-source wastewater neutralization technologies that treat acidic wastewater safely and effectively in process and/or prior to discharge into a municipal sewer system. The advanced neutralization systems are adaptable, use simple designs and straightforward techniques to adjust pH efficiently to within discharge limits, preventing sewer surcharges or fines.

1.2 PHIX Cartridge Design

The PHIX Cartridge System, designed for direct installation under the sink, treats acidic wastewater at the source. The PHIX Cartridge System is compatible with various sink sizes, and is easy to install in most commercial, institutional and industrial applications.

The PHIX Cartridge System features an engineered flow-through design to maximize efficiency and minimize maintenance. The Cartridge uses all natural and safe to handle PHIX Media which permits better control over effluent pH. PHIX Media requires no special storage or handling and ensures optimal and neutralization treatment within the space-saving unit.

The PHIX Cartridge reduces the cost of all new construction projects by eliminating the need for glass, glass lined or PVDF piping. For retrofit projects, the PHIX Cartridge fits directly underneath the sink removing the need for a collection tank to treat and store acidic wastewater prior to discharge into the sewer system.

1.2.1 PHIX Media and Performance

The PHIX Cartridge uses PHIX Media, a mix of solid alkali non-resin materials, to neutralize acidic wastewater. It is used throughout the neutralization process and is replaced as required. It permits better control over effluent pH and eliminates the need for special storage or handling required by traditional hazardous neutralizing chemicals. PHIX Media has several formulations. To ensure the correct Media formulation is used, Zurn works with its clients to analyze the specific wastewater inputs and requirements for each application.

For acid neutralization applications, PHIX Media replaces the regular use of marble or limestone. PHIX Media is a cost-effective treatment that ensures continuous wastewater neutralization and by-law regulations compliance.

Performance testing evaluated the treatment efficiency of PHIX Media in the PHIX Cartridge System. A standard neutralizing capacity test was used to compare the ability of specific neutralizing chemicals to adjust the pH of a sample to within acceptable by-law levels.

Standard concentrations of hydrochloric acid (HCI samples were ran through a series of titrations until the required by-law pH levels were attained. Once the testing stage was complete, usage rates were used to calculate the total amount of media required to neutralize the samples. Figure 1.1 illustrates the results of neutralizing capacity test of the PHIX Cartridge System and the effectiveness of PHIX Media.

1.3 Applications

The PHIX Cartridge System may be used in numerous non-residential pH adjustment applications including:

- Laboratory sinks
- School laboratory benches
- Hospital laboratories
- Maintenance sinks
- Commercial rinse sinks



Figure 1.1 PHIX Media Required to Neutralize 1 g (0.03 oz.) of HCI

PHIX Media is five times more efficient than limestone and 43 times more efficient than marble chips.

	PHIX MEDIA	LIMESTONE	CAUSTIC SODA
Safety	Contact with skin rarely causes irritation.	Hazardous to handle.	Extremely hazardous to handle.
Environmental Effects	Harmless with no by- products.	Highly caustic and can cause immediate damage to the environment.	Highly corrosive causing severe physical injury to plant and animal life coming in contact with it.
Ease of Handling	No special handling or equipment required.	Expensive solids and handling equipment is required.	Requires elaborate safety equipment and rigorous, time-consuming safety procedures.
Equipment Costs	No initial capital cost.	Initial capital cost required. Expensive and regular maintenance required due to the abrasiveness of lime.	Expensive capital and maintenance costs. Regular maintenance, heated system and safety equipment required.
Application	Flow through system.	Conventional batch treatment system.	Conventional batch treatment system.

For more information on PHIX Media, please contact a Zurn Customer Care Representative at 1-855-ONE-ZURN or visit www.Zurn.com.

1.4 PHIX Cartridge Design Considerations

- 1. The PHIX Cartridge System treats acidic wastewater only.
- 2. The PHIX Cartridge System is designed for under the sink installations.
- 3. The PHIX Cartridge System cannot intercept solids, fats, oils or grease from the wastewater. An interceptor is recommended for solids, oil and grease. For more information on interceptors, please visit www.Zurn.com or contact a Zurn Customer Care Representative at 1-855-ONE-ZURN.

1.5 PHIX Cartridge Parts and Components

The PHIX Cartridge System is constructed from fiberglass reinforced polypropylene and schedule 80 PP pipe. The material of construction has a high resistance to numerous chemicals.

The PHIX Cartridge System comes in one size. It is shipped pre-assembled and includes a bucket, supporting bracket and two prescribed packages of PHIX Media.

The PHIX Cartridge System design has three (3) main components: 1) Top Manifold; 2) Internal Skeleton; and 3) Cartridge Body. See Figure 1.2.

The PHIX Cartridge System attaches easily to the underside of a sink. Wastewater from the sink flows down through the center column. Solids settle to the bottom of the cartridge body. The wastewater then flows back up through the treatment chamber and is treated by the PHIX Media. Neutralization of the acidic wastewater occurs upon contact with the PHIX Media. The treated wastewater then exits the unit through the outlet on the side of the top manifold.

NOTE: Any modifications to the unit will alter the ability of the System to effectively treat wastewater.

1.5.1 Top Manifold

The Top manifold of the cartridge houses the unit's three main connections (Figure 1.3):

- A) Threads to the sink drain;
- B) Connection to the drain pipe; and
- C) Threads into the Body of the PHIX Cartridge.

1.5.2 Internal Skeleton and Cartridge Body

The Internal Skeleton directs the flow of the wastewater through the system, and facilitates contact with the PHIX Media whereby the acidic wastewater is neutralized prior to discharge. The Cartridge body makes up the treatment chamber. The parts and components operate as follows (Figure 1.4):

- 1. The filter plates and filter help to contain the PHIX Media in the treatment chamber. The PHIX Media sits in the treatment chamber just above the media filter plate.
- The center column inserts into the cartridge body and channels wastewater from the sink and to the bottom of the cartridge body. The zone below the media filter plate allows for any fine PHIX Media particles to settle out
- 3. Wastewater flows up from the bottom and through perforated Media filter plate to the treatment chamber where it comes into contact with PHIX Media.
- 4. The neutralized wastewater flows through the filter which retains the PHIX Media inside the PHIX Cartridge. The top and bottom filter plates support the filter in place.
- 5. The treated wastewater exits the unit through the top manifold and into the drain pipe.

The PHIX Cartridge System is available in one standard design to neutralize acidic wastewater. Each unit is configured for standard North American sink drain down times.



Figure 1.2 PHIX Cartridge System Parts and Components





Figure 1.4 Cartridge Cross Section and Flow Pattern



2) Step-by-Step Installation Procedures

The PHIX Cartridge System is shipped pre-assembled and includes a bucket, siphon, hose, support bracket, and two prescribed packages of PHIX Media. To install the unit, please follow these simple step-by-step installation instructions.

A) Remove Drain

Remove the existing waste (drain) pipe between the sink strainer and the stub out at the wall or floor. If the piping is plastic with compression (threaded-type) fittings, unthread the pipe and save it for possible reuse. If the pipe is welded or metal, cut using a hacksaw and discard. Unscrew fittings by hand or with groove-joint pliers.

Installation Tip: Before removing the drain plug or disconnecting the trap, place a plastic bucket under the drain trap to catch any standing water.

B) Add PHIX Media to the PHIX Cartridge System

The PHIX Cartridge System is shipped with two packs of media for initial charge and a refill. To ensure that acidic wastewater is properly neutralized, the cartridge must be loaded with the initial charge of media before it is installed.

To add PHIX Media to the PHIX Cartridge (Figure 2.1)

- 1. Unthread the cartridge top manifold from the body.
- 2. Remove the top filter plate, filter, and bottom filter plate from the center column. The filter plates snap fit onto the center column and are removable by hand.
- 3. Pour the PHIX Media into the cartridge body up to the fill line.
- 4. Re-install the bottom filter plate, filter, and top filter plate on the center column.
- 5. Re-thread the cartridge body to the cartridge top manifold. The cartridge is ready to be installed.

Figure 2.1 Filling PHIX Media in the Cartridge









C) Connect the PHIX Cartridge System

To connect the PHIX Cartridge System to the sink, slip the brass nut onto the tail piece and thread to the top of the cartridge (Figure 2.2). Use the provided plastic compression ring between the brass nut and the cartridge top to obtain a proper seal.



Figure 2.2 Connection between the PHIX Cartridge and Sink

D) Connect Plastic Waste Pipe

Connect a pipe between the outlet of the cartridge and the stub out (drain fitting). Options for connecting the outlet pipe are illustrated below. All piping from the PHIX Cartridge System must meet the local plumbing codes.



Figure 2.3b Unions Bonded with Adhesive Option (Use Construction Adhesive designed for low surface energy surfaces, such as 3M[™]Scotch-Weld[™]Structural Plastic Adhesive DP-8010)

E) Install Support Bracket

The installation of the support bracket ensures that the suspended PHIX Cartridge System is properly supported. The bracket is supplied completely assembled.

- 1. Place the bracket on the ground or cabinet floor directly below the bottom of the cartridge.
- 2. Adjust the height of the bracket such that the bottom of the cartridge is sitting firmly on the bracket.
- 3. Center the bracket underneath the cartridge.
- 4. Secure the bottom flange of the bracket with screw fasteners into the ground or cabinet floor (Figure 2.4).

Figure 2.4 Expanded view of the Support Bracket



F) Initial Startup Procedure

Once the installation is complete, you must perform a flow test to verify there are no leaks.

Flow test: Run water from tap into sink, and visually inspect threaded connections.

- 1. If a leak is detected tighten the threaded connections until the leak has stopped.
- 2. Once the leak test is passed the PHIX Cartridge System is ready for operation.

3) Maintenance of the PHIX Cartridge

The maintenance of the PHIX Cartridge System is critical to prevent disruption in the neutralization treatment process. The PHIX Cartridge System must be maintained according to the following procedures to ensure continual effective treatment of acidic wastewater.

3.1 Maintenance Inspection

Over time, the bottom of the cartridge collects spent PHIX Media. When the drain down time of the sink increases (i.e. the amount of time it takes to drain a sink is slower than usual), it indicates that the PHIX Cartridge requires cleaning due to a high accumulation of solid waste at the bottom of the cartridge.

3.2 Solids Removal

• Remove the support bracket to create adequate space to remove the cartridge body. Place a bucket (supplied with the PHIX Cartridge) under the cartridge (Figure 3.1). This will catch water that may leak from the cartridge body when it is unthreaded from the manifold.

Before proceeding: Wear rubber gloves to protect the skin from liquid contact.

- Unthread the cartridge body from the cartridge top manifold (Figure 3.2).
- Remove the top filter plate, the filter, and bottom filter plate from the cartridge body (Figure 3.3).
- Turn the cartridge at an angle and dump the liquid and PHIX Media into the bucket (Figure 3.4).
- Once the liquid and PHIX media is removed, pull the center column out (Figure 3.5).
- With all the components removed from the body, rinse out the bottom of the cartridge to remove any solids.
- Place the center column (with the media filter plate in place) back into the cartridge body.
- Pour the media back into the cartridge or if the media is spent replace the media with new PHIX Media. Reattach the bottom filter plate, filter, and top filter plate.
- Re-thread the cartridge body to the manifold.
- Place the support bracket directly underneath the cartridge and adjust to secure it back into place such that it supports the PHIX Cartridge.
- Run water through the PHIX Cartridge to ensure no leaks are present.

Figure 3.1a FIRST Siphon the Liquid from the PHIX Cartridge







BUCKET

Figure 3.2 Remove Cartridge





Figure 3.4 Dispose of spent PHIX Media







Figure 3.5 Remove Center Column, Clean Cartridge and Re-assemble





3.3 Media Replacement

To ensure proper acid neutralization the PHIX Media in the PHIX Cartridge System must be monitored at regular intervals to determine replacement according to the following guidelines.

USAGE	MONITORING FREQUENCY
Constant use, highly acidic wastewater	Quarterly (every 3 months)
Moderate use, mixed acidic and basic wastewater	Biannually (twice a year)
Low use, mildly acidic wastewater	Annually (once a year)

To confirm the monitoring schedule for your application visit www.Zurn.com or contact a Zurn Customer Care Representative at 1-855-ONE-ZURN.

To replace PHIX Media, the procedure is similar to the maintenance (solids removal) procedure.

- 1. Remove the support bracket to create adequate space to remove the cartridge body.
- 2. Place a bucket (supplied with the PHIX Cartridge) under the cartridge. This will catch water that may leak from the cartridge body when it is unthreaded from the manifold.

Before proceeding: Wear rubber gloves to protect the skin from liquid contact.

- 3. Unthread the cartridge body from the cartridge top manifold.
- 4. Drain the cartridge body of liquid in to the bucket for disposal.
- 5. Remove the top filter plate, the filter, and bottom filter plate from the cartridge body.
- 6. Turn the cartridge at an angle and dispose the spent PHIX media into a trash bin. No special handling of used PHIX media is required.
- 7. Once the PHIX media is removed, pull the center column out.
- 8. With all the components removed from the cartridge body, rinse out the bottom of the cartridge to remove any solids.
- 9. Clean the different components using water and a clean cloth.
- 10. Place the center column (with the media filter plate in place) back into the cartridge body.
- 11. A refill PHIX Media package is supplied free of charge with the PHIX Cartridge System. Pour the refill package of PHIX Media into the cartridge body and re-insert the bottom filter plate, filter, and top filter plate. 11a. If the refill is used and spent, replacement PHIX Media can be ordered through a Zurn Sales Representative . Using the measuring cup provided with the pail of PHIX media, pour one full cup of PHIX media into the cartridge up to the fill line.
- 12. Re-thread the cartridge body to the top manifold.
- 13. Place the support bracket directly underneath the cartridge and adjust to secure it back into place such that it supports the PHIX Cartridge.
- 14. Run water through the PHIX Cartridge to ensure no leaks are present.
- 15. The PHIX Cartridge System is ready to resume operation.

4) PHIX Cartridge System Replacement Parts

The following replacement parts are available for the PHIX Cartridge. Contact a Zurn Customer Care Representative for more information at 1-855-ONE-ZURN or visit www.Zurn.com

REPLACEMENT PARTS					
PHIX Media					
O-ring					
Filter					
Top or Bottom Filter Plate					
Media Filter Plate					



5) PHIX Cartridge System Technical Drawing and Installation Configuration







PHIX Cartridge Configurations



6) General Terms and Conditions

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