



## Filter Guide

Respiratory protection with filters is dependent on the ambient air. In order to use filtering respirators, the type, properties and composition of the hazardous agent in the ambient air must be known. The oxygen content in the inhalation air must be at least 18% Vol. When using particle filters, no hazardous gases must be present; when using gas filters, no hazardous particles should be present, in case of doubt combined filter must be used.

Colour Mark	Type	Application	Class	Max allowed gas Concentration	Standard	
Brown	A	Organic gases and vapours (boiling point >65°C)	1 2 3	1000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (0.1 Vol %) 5000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (0.5 vol %) 10000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (1.0 vol %)	EN141 or EN14387	
Grey	B	Inorganic gases and vapours (not CO) i.e. Chlorine, H <sub>2</sub> S, HCN.	1 2 3	1000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (0.1 Vol %) 5000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (0.5 vol %) 10000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (1.0 vol %)	EN141 or EN14387	
Yellow	E	Sulphur Dioxide and acidic gases and vapours	1 2 3	1000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (0.1 Vol %) 5000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (0.5 vol %) 10000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (1.0 vol %)	EN141 or EN14387	
Green	K	Ammonia and organic ammonia derivatives	1 2 3	1000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (0.1 Vol %) 5000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (0.5 vol %) 10000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> (1.0 vol %)	EN141 or EN14387	
Brown	AX	Organic gases and vapours (boiling point <65°C)	-	gr.1 100 ml/min <sup>3</sup> max 40 min gr.1 500ml/min <sup>3</sup> max 20 min gr.2 1000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> max 60 min gr.2 5000 ml/min <sup>3</sup> max 20 min	EN371	
Blue/White	NO-P3	Nitrogen Oxides e.g. NO, NO <sub>2</sub> , NOX	-	Maximum allowed time of use 20 minutes	EN141 or EN14387	
Red	Hg-P3	Mercury Vapours	-	Maximum allowed time of use 50 hours	EN141 or EN14387	
Black/White	CO	Carbon Monoxide	-	Local guide lines	DIN 3181	
Orange	Reactor P3	Radioactive Iodine	-	Local guide lines	DIN 3181	
	P	Particles	1 2 3	Efficiency Efficiency Efficiency	Low medium high	EN141 or EN14387



## Filters for Half Masks & Full Face Masks

### Advantage Filters

Description	Standards
P3 High Efficiency Dust Cartridge (pair)	EN143
A2 Chemical Cartridge (pair)	EN141
A2B2E1K1 Chemical Cartridge (pair)	EN141
A2P3 Combination Cartridge (pair)	EN141
A2B2E1K1P3 Combination Cartridge (pair)	EN141
P2 Pre-filters and adapters (10 pairs)	EN143

### TabTec® Filters

Description	Standards
A1 TabTec Gas Filters (pair)	EN141
A2 TabTec Gas Filters (pair)	EN141
A2B2E1 TabTec Gas Filters (pair)	EN141
A2B2E1K1 TabTec Gas Filters (pair)	EN141

Description	Standards
P2 FLEXIfilter (5 pairs)	EN143
P2 FLEXIfilter OR (5 pairs) (Odour Removal)	EN143
P3 FLEXIfilter (5 pairs)	EN143
P3 FLEXIfilter OR (5 pairs) (Odour Removal)	EN143

### EN148 Threaded Filters

Description	According to EN/DIN	Weight (g)
<b>Particle Filters</b>		
Pre-filter for screw filter	Flame Resistant	3
Particle Filter 999	P3	80
<b>Gas Filters</b>		
Gas Filter 87 A	A2	180
Gas Filter 87 B	A2, B2	210
Gas Filter 87 E	E2	260
Gas Filter 87 K	K2	260
Gas Filter 87 ABEK	A2, B2, E2, K1	260
Gas Filter 87 AX	AX, A2	260
Gas Filter 87 ABEK2	A2, B2, E2, K2	340
<b>Combined Filters</b>		
Combined Filter 88 A/St	A2 – P2	250
Combined Filter 88 AB/St	A2, B2 – P2	290
Combined Filter 88 ABEK/St	A2, B2, E2, K1 – P2	300
Combined Filter 88 ABEK2/St	A2, B2, E2, K2 – P2	370
Combined Filter 89 A/St	A2 – P3	250
Combined Filter 89 AX/St	AX – P3	300
Combined Filter 89 AB/St	A2, B2 – P3	290
Combined Filter 89 K/St	K2 – P3	300
Combined Filter 89 ABEK-Hg/St	A2, B2, E2, K1, Hg- P3	300
Combined Filter 89 ABEK2-Hg/St	A2, B2, E2, K2, Hg-P3	370
<b>Special Filters</b>		
Combined Filter 89 Hg/St	Hg – P3	255
Combined Filter 89 NO-CO/St	NO P3	455
Combined Filter 89 Reactor/St	Reactor – P3	260
Combined Filter 89 Reactor B/St	B2, Reactor P3	260
Combined Filter 580CO/St	CO – P3	500
Combined Filter 89 ABEK-CO-NO-Hg/St	A1, B2, E2, K1, CO, NO, Hg – P3	450

## Alphabetical List of industrial gases and toxic substances

This overview of industrial gases and toxic substances guides you in selecting the appropriate filter type. Before using respiratory protection always read the instructions for use.

Limitation of use:

Filters for respiratory protection may be used everywhere, except for some inherent limitation e.g. Confined Spaces or Containers. Principally the following conditions must be known:

- Type, property and composition of contaminant
- Oxygen content of the inhalation air must be sufficient i.e. >17%
- Local restrictions should be observed

For all gases and vapours which may be present in combination with particles (dust, smoke, mist, spray) a combination filter (gases & particles) must be used

The recommendations below are based on pure substances. With mixtures, by-products or decomposition products the impurities must be taken into account. For compounds with a boiling point below 65°C an AX filter must be used.

For information on substances not listed please contact us.

Substance	Formula	Filter Type	Colour
Acetaldehyde	CH <sub>3</sub> CHO	AX	Brown
Acetic Acid	CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	E	Yellow
Acetone	CH <sub>3</sub> COCH <sub>3</sub>	AX	Brown
Acetonecyanhydrin	CH <sub>3</sub> C(OH)(CN)CH <sub>3</sub>	A – P3	Brown - White
Acetonitrile	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	A	Brown
Acidic Gases	-	E	Yellow
Acids (fuming concentrated)	-	E – P2	Yellow - White
Acrolein (2-Propenal)	CH <sub>2</sub> CHCHO	AX	Brown
Acrylic Acid-esters	CH <sub>2</sub> CHCOOR	A	Brown
Acrylonitrile	CH <sub>2</sub> CHCN	A – P3	Brown – White
Alcohols	R·OH	A	Brown
Aldehydes	R·CHO	A or AX	Brown
Allylchloride	CH <sub>2</sub> CHCH <sub>2</sub> Cl	AX	Brown
2 Amino-Ethanol	CH <sub>2</sub> OHCH <sub>2</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Ammonia	NH <sub>3</sub>	K	Green
Aniline	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	A – P3	Brown – White
Aqueous Ammonia	NH <sub>3</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O	K	Green
Arsenic Trioxide	As <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	P3	White
Arsine	AsH <sub>3</sub>	B	Grey
Benzene	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	A	Brown
Benzyl Bromide	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Br	A – P2	Brown – White
Beryllium	Be	P3	White

Bromine	Br <sub>2</sub>	B – P3	Grey - White
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Bromoform	CHBr <sub>3</sub>	A	Brown
Bromomethane	CH <sub>3</sub> Br	AX	Brown
Butanone	CH <sub>3</sub> COC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	A	Brown
Butyl Acetate	CH <sub>3</sub> COOC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	A	Brown
Butyl Acrylate	CH <sub>2</sub> CHCOOC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	A	Brown
Butyl Alcohols	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub> OH	A	Brown
Carbon Black	C	P2	White
Carbon Dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	*	-
Carbon Disulphide	CS <sub>2</sub>	B	Grey
Carbon Monoxide	CO	CO	Black
Carbon Oxysulphide	COS	B	Grey
Carbon Tetrachloride	CCl <sub>4</sub>	A	Brown
Caustic Soda	NaOH	P2	White
Chlorobromomethane	CH <sub>2</sub> ClBr	AX	Brown
Chlorine	Cl <sub>2</sub>	B – P3	Grey – White
Chlorine Dioxide	ClO <sub>2</sub>	B	Grey
Chloromethane	CH <sub>3</sub> Cl	*	-
Chloroform	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	AX	Brown
Chloroprene	CH <sub>2</sub> C(C)CHCH <sub>2</sub>	AX	Brown
Chlorosulfonic Acid	ClSO <sub>3</sub> H	B – P2	Grey - White
Chromium Oxide	Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> , CrO <sub>3</sub>	P3	White
Cresols	-	A	Brown
Cyanogen Chloride	ClCN	B	Grey
Cyclohexane	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>12</sub>	A	Brown
Cyclohexanone	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O	A	Brown
DD Products	-	A – P2	Brown – White
DDT Dust	-	P3	White
Diocetone Alcohol	(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> C(OH)CH <sub>2</sub> COCH <sub>3</sub>	A	Brown
1,2-Dibromoethane	CH <sub>2</sub> BrCH <sub>2</sub> Br	A	Brown
1,2-Dichloroethane	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCH <sub>2</sub> Cl	A	Brown
1,2-Dichloroethylene	CHClCHCl	AX	Brown
Dichloromethane	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	AX	Brown
1,2-Dichloropropane	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Diesel Fuel	-	A	Brown
Dimethylformamide (DMF)	HCON(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
1,4-Dioxane	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Dust	-	P2 / P3	White

Substance	Formula	Filter Type	Colour
Epichlorhydrin	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OCl	A – P3	Brown - White
Esters	R-COOR	A or AX	Brown
Ethanolamine	CH <sub>2</sub> OHCH <sub>2</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Ethers	ROR	A or AX	Brown
Ethyl Acetate	CH <sub>3</sub> COOC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	A	Brown
Ethyl Alcohol (Ethanol)	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OH	A	Brown
Ethyl Benzene	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	A	Brown
Ethylene Chloride	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	A	Brown
Ethylene Dichloride	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCH <sub>2</sub> Cl	A	Brown
Ethylene Oxide (T-Gas)	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O	AX	Brown
Ethyl Formate	HCOOC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	AX	Brown
Formaldehyde	HCHO	B – P3	Grey – White
Formic Acid	HCOOH	E	Yellow
Furfuryl Alcohol	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Gasoline	-	A	Brown
Halogenated Hydrocarbons	R-Hal	A or AX	Brown
		B – P2	Brown – White
		B – P3	Brown – White
Halogens	Hal <sub>2</sub>	B	Grey
Hexachlorocyclohexane	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> Cl <sub>6</sub>	A – P3	Brown – White
Hydrazine	N <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	K – P3	Green – White
Hydrocarbons	R-H	A	Brown
Hydrochlorid Acid	HCl/H <sub>2</sub> O	E	Yellow
Hydrogen Fluoride	HF/H <sub>2</sub> O	E	Yellow
Hydrogen Bromide	HBr	E – P2	Yellow – White
Hydrogen Chloride	HCl	E – P2	Yellow – White
Hydrogen Cyanide	HCN	B	Grey
Hydrogen Halogenides	HF,HCl,HBr,HJ	E – P2	Yellow- White
Hydrogen Selenide	H <sub>2</sub> Se	B – P2	Grey – White
Hydrogen Sulphide	H <sub>2</sub> S	B	Grey
Insecticide (Organic)	-	A – P2	Brown – White
Iodine	J <sub>2</sub>	B – P2	Grey – White
Iodine (Radioactive)	J <sub>2</sub>	Reactor P3	Orange – White
Iodomethane	CH <sub>3</sub> J	AX	Brown
Iodomethane (Radioactive)	CH <sub>3</sub> J	Reactor – P3	Orange – White
Iron – Pentacarbonyl	Fe(CO) <sub>5</sub>	CO – P3	Black – White
Isocyanates (organic)	R-NCO	B-P2	Grey – White
Isopropyl Alcohol	CH <sub>3</sub> CH(OH)CH <sub>3</sub>	A	Brown

Substance	Formula	Filter Type	Colour
Ketenes	R-CH <sub>2</sub> - O <sub>3</sub>	*	-
Ketones	R-CO-R	A	Brown
Lead Fumes	Pb	P2	White
Maleic Anhydride	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	A – P2	Brown – White
Mercaptans	R-SH	B	Grey
Mercury Compounds	-	Hg – P3	Red – White
Mercury Vapour	Hg	Hg – P3	Red – White
Metal Fumes	-	P2, P3	White
Methanol	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	AX	Brown
Methyl Bromide	CH <sub>2</sub> Br	AX	Brown
Methyl Chloride	CH <sub>3</sub> Cl	*	-
Methyl Chloroform	CH <sub>3</sub> CCl <sub>3</sub>	A	Brown
Methylene Chloride	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	AX	Brown
Methyl Ethyl Ketone (MEK)	CH <sub>3</sub> COC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	A	Brown
Methyl Isobutyl Ketone (MIBK)	CH <sub>3</sub> COC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	A	Brown
Nickel Tetracarbonyl	Ni(CO) <sub>4</sub>	CO – P3	Black – White
Nitric Acid	HNO <sub>3</sub> /H <sub>2</sub> O	NO	Blue
Nitro Compounds (Organic)	R-NO <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Nitrogen Oxides	NO,NO <sub>2</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	NO	Blue
Nitrous Fumes	NO,NO <sub>2</sub> ,N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> ,HNO <sub>2</sub> ,HNO <sub>3</sub>	NO	Blue
Organic Nitro Compounds	R-NO <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Organic Vapours – Solvent	-	A, AX	Brown
Ozone	O <sub>3</sub>	CO	Black
		NO	Blue
Paint Sprays/Vapours	-	A – P2	Brown – White
Pentachloroethane	CHCl <sub>2</sub> CCL <sub>2</sub> CCl <sub>3</sub>	A	Brown
Perchloroethylene	CCl <sub>2</sub> CCl <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Pesticides	-	A – P2	Brown – White
Petrol	-	A	Brown
Phenols	-	A	Brown
Phenylhydrazine	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> NHNNH <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Phosgene	COCl <sub>2</sub>	B	Grey
Phosphine	PH <sub>3</sub>	B	Grey
Phosphorous Trichloride	PCl <sub>3</sub>	B – P2	Grey – White
Polyacrylates	-	A – P2	Brown – White
Potassium Cyanide (Dust)	KCN	B – P3	Grey – White
Propanol	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	A	Brown
Pyridine	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>5</sub> N	A	Brown

Substance	Formula	Filter Type	Colour
Quartz	SiO <sub>2</sub>	P2	White
Sodium Hydroxide	NaOH	P2	White
Solvents	-	A	Brown
Stibine	SbH <sub>3</sub>	B – P3	Grey – White
Styrene	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> CHCH <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Sulphur Compounds (Burning)	SO <sub>2</sub>	E – P2	Yellow – White
Sulphur Dioxide	SO <sub>2</sub>	E	Yellow
Sulphuric Acid	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	B – P2	Grey - White
Sulphur Monochloride	S <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	B – P2	Grey – White
Sulphur Trioxide	SO <sub>3</sub>	P2	White
Sulfuryl Chloride	SO <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	B	Grey
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	CHCl <sub>2</sub> CHCl <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Tetrachloroethylene	CCl <sub>2</sub> CCl <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Tetrachloromethane	CCl <sub>4</sub>	A	Brown
Tetrahydrofuran	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O	A	Brown
T-Gas (Ethylene Oxide)	(C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O)	AX	Brown
Toluene	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ·CH <sub>3</sub>	A	Brown
Tribromomethane	CHBr <sub>3</sub>	A	Brown
Turpentine	-	A	Brown
Vanadium Pentoxide (Dust/Fumes)	V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	P2	White
Vinyl Acetate	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Vinyl Chloride	CH <sub>2</sub> CCl <sub>2</sub>	AX	Brown
Vinyltoluene	CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> CHCH <sub>2</sub>	A	Brown
Xylenes	CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	A	Brown
Zinc Oxide	ZnO	P2	White
Zyklon (HCN with irritant)	-	B	Grey

\* Protection against specified substance should be reached by using self-contained breathing apparatus

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