Element Storage Procedures

6 Months or Less (Short Term)

Immediately following the final CIP flush, the system should be filled with 1% Sodium Metabisulfite (MBS) solution (0.1% MBS for NF elements) with a pH of 4.0-5.0. Every 7-10 days the following procedure should be performed:

1. Drain MBS solution from the system and flush to drain with clean water.
2. Run a caustic wash. (See caustic wash directions on p. 17 and 18)
3. Flush to drain with clean water.
4. Recharge the system with a fresh bath of MBS.

Longer than 6 Months (Long Term)

A long term shutdown (over 6 months) can be handled easily and efficiently. This involves the removal of elements from the system, soaking them in preservative solution (vertically if possible), and sealing in a plastic bag for future use.

1. The preservative solution should include:
   ■ 20% Glycerine
   ■ 2% Sodium Metabisulfite (0.1% Sodium Metabisulfite for NF elements)
   ■ pH 4.0-5.0
2. Remove the element from the vessel, drain the elements in a vertical position to avoid extensive dilution of the preservative solution.
3. Place the element in a preservative for a minimum of 15 minutes.
4. Remove the element from the preservative and allow it to drain for approximately 10 seconds, then place the element back in the bag.
5. Seal the bag either via heat seal or waterproof tape. This should be done well to prevent any leakage during storage/transport.
6. Depending on the number of elements, the preservative solution may become diluted. In that event, add more preservative to maintain pH 4.0-5.0.
7. Element storage in 50°F - 59°F (10°C - 15°C) will increase storage life of the elements. If refrigeration is possible, it is highly recommended by Synder Filtration.
8. Contact Synder Filtration prior to storing any elements to discuss any remaining element warranty.

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