



## DOWEX MARATHON A2

An Efficient, Uniform Particle Size, High Capacity, Type 2 Strong Base Anion Exchange Resin for Demineralization Applications

Product	Type	Matrix	Functional group
DOWEX* MARATHON* A2	Type 2 strong base anion	Styrene-DVB, gel	Dimethylethanol amine

Guaranteed Sales Specifications		Cl <sup>-</sup> form
Total exchange capacity, min.	eq/l	1.2
	kgr/ft <sup>3</sup> as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	26.2
Water content	%	45 - 54
Uniformity coefficient, max.		1.1

Typical Physical and Chemical Properties		Cl <sup>-</sup> form
Mean particle size <sup>†</sup>	μm	570 ± 50
Whole uncracked beads	%	95 - 100
Total swelling (Cl <sup>-</sup> → OH <sup>-</sup> )	%	20
Particle density	g/ml	1.09
Shipping weight	g/l	690
	lbs/ft <sup>3</sup>	43

### Recommended Operating Conditions

- Maximum operating temperature:
  - OH<sup>-</sup> form 35°C (95°F)
  - Cl<sup>-</sup> form 70°C (160°F)
- pH range 0 - 14
- Bed depth, min. 800 mm (2.6 ft)
- Flow rates:
  - Service/fast rinse 5-60 m/h (2-24 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup>)
  - Backwash See figure 1
  - Co-current regeneration/displacement rinse 1-10 m/h (0.4-4 gpm /ft<sup>2</sup>)
  - Counter-current regeneration/displacement rinse 5-20 m/h (2-8 gpm /ft<sup>2</sup>)
- Total rinse requirement 3 - 6 Bed volumes
- Regenerant:
  - Type 2-5% NaOH
  - Temperature Ambient or up to 35°C (95°F) for silica removal

<sup>†</sup> For additional particle size information, please refer to Particle Size Distribution Cross Reference Chart (Form No. 177-01775).

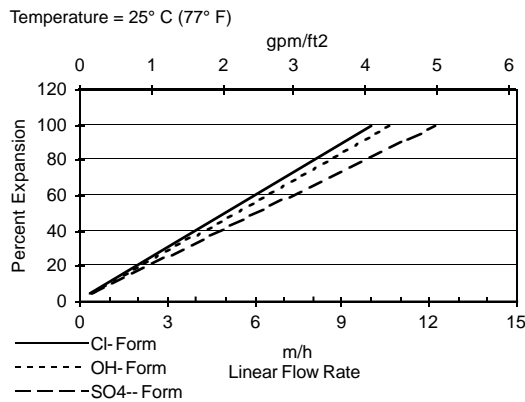
## Typical properties and applications

DOWEX MARATHON A2 anion exchange resin is specifically designed to give high throughput and economical operation in primary demineralizer beds. Its uniform particle size offers a number of economic advantages over conventional polydispersed resins. The small uniform bead size of DOWEX MARATHON A2 resin results in rapid exchange kinetics during operation, more complete regeneration of the resin and faster, more thorough rinse following regeneration. It is normally used for waters in which silica and carbon dioxide do not exceed 25% of the total anions. For water containing higher levels of these "weak" acids, DOWEX MARATHON A resin is recommended.

## Packaging

25 liter bags or 5 cubic feet fiber drums

**Figure 1. Backwash Expansion Data**

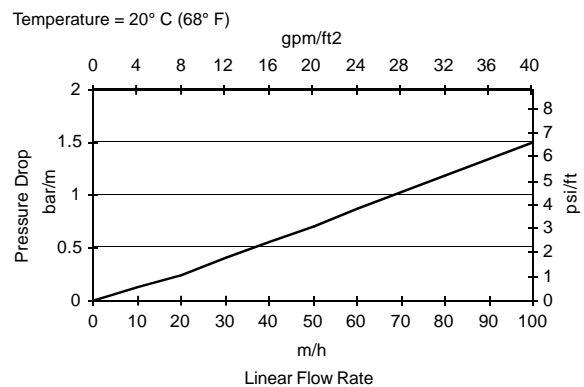


**For other temperatures use:**

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

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

**Figure 2. Pressure Drop Data**



**For other temperatures use:**

$$P_T = P_{20°C} / (0.026 T_{°C} + 0.48), \text{ where } P = \text{bar/m}$$

$$P_T = P_{68°F} / (0.014 T_{°F} + 0.05), \text{ where } P = \text{psi/ft}$$

**DOWEX Ion Exchange Resins**  
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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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