

**Water and Waste  
water treatment**

**CT 274**

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## Water Filtration

### Purpose:

- 1- Removal of remaining suspended solids
- 2- Removal of about 90 - 99% of bacteria
- 3- Removal of algae
- 4- Removal of iron & manganese
- 5- Removal of colour , taste & odour

### Theory (mechanism) of filtration:

- 1- Straining action الحجز:  
يعمل الرمل كأنه مصفاة (يتم حجز الحبيبات التي يكون حجمها أكبر من حجم الفراغات)
- 2- Sedimentation: الترسيب  
تعمل الفراغات بين الرمل كأنها أحواض ترسيب صغيرة جدا
- 3- Adhesion الالتصاق:  
تتكون طبقة جيلاتينية على سطح حبيبات الرمل تلتصق عليها المواد الصلبة
- 4- Electric action التجاذب الكهربائي:  
تجذب الحبيبات الصلبة ذات الشحنة السالبة إلى حبيبات الرمل ذات الشحنة الموجبة
- 5- Biological action التفاعلات الحيوية:  
تلتصق البكتيريا على حبيبات الرمل وتتغذى على أملاح الحديد والمنجنيز

### Factors affecting filtration:

1. Rate of Filtration
2. Sand properties and depth
3. Water depth above sand layer
4. Under drainage system
5. Cleaning of filters
6. Preceding treatment process عمليات التنقية التي تسبق الترشيح
7. The remaining suspended solids
8. Algae and bacteria نسبة الطحالب و البكتيريا بالمياه

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## Types of filtration:

### I) Gravity Filters:

1. Slow Sand Filter
2. Rapid Sand Filter

### II) Pressure Filters:

- pressure of water = ( 2.8 - 4.2 ) kg/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Used for treated water of small amount of turbidity
- يعطي كفاءة منخفضة

### III) Mechanical filters:

- Rotating Drum يمكن استخدامها في المساحات الصغيرة

## Direct filtration:

إذا كانت SS في المياه قليلة جدا يمكن إلغاء مرحلة sedimentation وعمل filtration مباشرة

### Use direct filtration if:

- Turbidity < 5
- Manganese < 0.05 ml
- Iron < 0.3
- Color < 40 unit

Rate of filtration = (60-120) m<sup>3</sup> / m<sup>2</sup> / day

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## Design criteria

R. S. F.	S. S. F.
-Rate of filtration "R.O.F." = 100 -200 $m^3/m^2d$	-Rate of filtration "R.O.F." = 3-8 $m^3/m^2d$
- $n_t = n_w + 1$ for wash $n \leq 5$	- No. $n \geq 2$
= $n_w + 2$ for wash $5 < n \leq 30$	- $L \leq 50$ m , $B \leq 50$ m
= $n_w + 4$ for wash $n > 30$	- $L = (1 - 1.25)B$
- $L = (1 - 1.25)B$ , $(L,B) = 5 - 8$ m	- a for one filter = 1000 – 2500 $m^2$
- a for one filter = 40 – 64 $m^2$	-operation 2 ---- 6 months
- Rate of washing (R.O.W)= (5-6)R.O.F	- cleaning 2 ----- 15 days
- Time of wash water = 8 --- 10 min	-preparing 1 ----2 weeks
- operation 12 --- 36 hrs	-used with small Pop. $\leq 30,000C$
- washing- 25 ----- 35 min	

## Mechanism of action (Theory)

R. S. F.	S. S. F.
1) Straining action 2) sedimentation action 3) adsorption on gelatinous films 4) electrical action 5) biological action ( bacteria + organics)	Mechanical straining and biological action on sand top layer  (the action on the sand surface or dirty skin)
The actions through all of the sand layer.	

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## Cleaning:

R. S. F.	S.S.F.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• compressed air (2-5)min</li><li>• pressurized water (8-10)min</li><li>• preparation period (15-20)min</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Removal of dirty skin + (1-3)inch of sand top layer</li><li>• Replacing it with new sand + preparation period (7-15 d)</li></ul>

### Cleaning process steps for RSF:

#### a) during filtration:

$v_1$  on influent pipe &  $v_2$  on effluent pipe are open

#### b) cleaning process:

1- Close  $V_1$  &  $V_2$

2- drainage of water

Open  $V_3$  &  $V_6$  until water level become 10 cm above sand layer.

3- Washing by air

open  $V_4$  (2-5) min.

4- Washing by pressured water

open ( $V_5 + V_3$ ) for ( 8-10) minutes

If no air , the time will be ( 15-20 ) min

5- Preparing of filter

open  $V_1$  &  $V_6$  (15-20) min

### Notes

Operation cycle  $\rightarrow$  no. of wash times / d

12 hr  $\rightarrow$  no. of wash = 2/d

24 hr  $\rightarrow$  no. of wash = 1/d

36hr  $\rightarrow$  no. of wash = 2/3 /d.

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### Example

A W. T. P. of daily input  $80,000 \text{ m}^3$ . It is required to design the RSF units & find the amount of wash water required per day and % of wash water.

#### Given

$$Q_{\text{des}} = 80,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$$

#### Req.

- n, L, B of RSF
- amount of wash water per day

#### sol<sup>n</sup>

$$Q_{\text{des}} = 80,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$$

#### R. S. F.

$$\text{ass. ROF} = 150 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{d}$$

$$\text{so } A = Q / \text{ROF} = 80000 / 150 = 533.33 \text{ m}^2$$

#### for n

$$n = 533.33 / (40 - 64) = 13.33 \text{ ---- } 8.33 \rightarrow \text{take } n_w = 10$$

$$\text{So } L = 8 \text{ m} \quad \text{so } B = 6.67 \text{ m} \rightarrow 6.65 \text{ m}$$

$$L, B (5 - 8) \text{ m} \quad \rightarrow \text{ok}$$

$$n_{\text{total}} = 10 + 2 \text{ for wash} = 12$$

$$n_t = 10 + 2 = 12$$
$$L = 8 \text{ m} , B = 6.65 \text{ m}$$

#### Amount wash water ( $\text{m}^3/\text{d}$ )

$$\text{ROW} = (5-6) \text{ ROF} = 5 \times 150 = 750 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{d}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Wash water for each filter} &= \text{ROW} \times \text{area of one filter} \times \text{time of wash water} \\ &= 750 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{d} \times (8 \times 6.65) \times 10 \text{ min} / (60 \times 24) \\ &= 277 \text{ m}^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{ass no. of washing times per day} = 1 \text{ time /day}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total amount of wash water} &= \text{W W for one filter} \times n_T \times \text{no of wash times/day} \\ &= 277 \times 12 \times 1 = 3324 \text{ m}^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\% \text{ of wash water per day} = Q_{\text{wash water}} / Q_{\text{plant}} = (3324 / 80,000) \times 100 = 4.15\%$$

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### Example

A W. T. P. of daily input 50,000 m<sup>3</sup> & working period 15 hr/ day.

Design the filter units:

- 1) As SSF
- 2) As RSF & find the amount of wash water required for washing two filters

### Given

$$Q_{des} = 50,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$$

$$w.p = 15 \text{ h/d}$$

### Req.

- 1) n, L, B of SSF
- 2) n, L, B of SRF + amount of wash water per day

### Sol

$$Q_{des} = 50,000 / 15 = 3333.33 \text{ m}^3/\text{hr}$$

#### 1) SSF

$$\text{ass. ROF} = 5 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{d}$$

$$\text{so } A = Q / \text{ROF} = 3333.33 \text{ m}^3/\text{hr} \times 24 / 5 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{d} = 16000 \text{ m}^2$$

$$\text{take } a = 2000 \text{ m}^2 = 50 \text{ m} \times 40 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{so } n = 16000/2000 = 8 \text{ filters}$$

$n = 8$ $L = 50 \text{ m}$ $B = 40 \text{ m}$
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#### 2) R. S. F.

$$\text{ass ROF} = 150 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{d}$$

$$\text{so } A = Q / \text{ROF} = 3333.33 \times 24 / 150 = 533.33 \text{ m}^2$$

#### for n

$$n = 533.33 / (40 \rightarrow 64) = 13.33 \text{ ---- } 8.33$$

$$\text{so take } n_w = 10$$

$$\text{so } L = 8 \text{ m} \quad \text{so } B = 6.67 \text{ m} \sim 6.65 \text{ m}$$

$$n \text{ total} = 10 + 2 \text{ for wash} = 12$$

$n = 10 + 2 = 12$ $L = 8 \text{ m} , B = 6.65 \text{ m}$
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### Amount of wash water (m<sup>3</sup>/d)

$$\text{ROW} = 5 \times 150 = 750 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{d}$$

Wash water for 2 filter =

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{ROW} \times \text{area of one filter} \times \text{time of wash water} \times n \text{ filters} \times \text{no wash times} \\ &= 750 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{d} \times (8 \times 6.65) \times 10 \text{ min} / (60 \times 24) \times 2 \times 1 \\ &= 555 \text{ m}^3 \end{aligned}$$

### Example

Given:

Existing W.T.P with 8 R.S.F,  $a = 8 \times 6$ ,  $\text{max ROF} = 6 \text{ m}^3/\text{hr}$

Req:  $Q_{\text{max}}$ , amount of w.w./d

sol.  $n_t = 8 = 6 + 2$  for wash.

$$Q_{\text{max}} = (6 \times 8 \times 6) \times 6 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{hr} = 1728 \text{ m}^3/\text{hr}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{amount of w.w./d} &= (5 \times 144 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{d}) \times (8 \times 8 \times 6) \times 10 \text{ min} / (24 \times 60) \\ &= 1920 \text{ m}^3 \end{aligned}$$

### Example

An existing W.T.P with 10 R.S.F working & 2 R.S.F. for wash each of area =  $8 \times 6 \text{ m}^2$  with max rate of rate of filtration =  $150 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{d}$ .

Check if this plant can serve a future pop of 400 000 c with max w.c. = 250 LCD & if unsafe find the additional units with the same dimensions.

Sol.

$$Q_{\text{max exist}} = 150 \times 10 \times 8 \times 6 = 72000 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}.$$

$$Q_{\text{max req.}} = 400\ 000 \times 250 / 1000 = 100\ 000 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}. > Q_{\text{max exist}}$$

we need additional units

$$Q_{\text{add}} = \Delta Q = 100\ 000 - 72\ 000 = 28\ 000 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$$

$$SA_{\text{add}} = 28000 / 150 = 186.7 \text{ m}^2, \text{ take } a = 8 \times 6$$

$$n = 186.7/48 = 3.9 \quad n_{\text{w add}} = 4$$

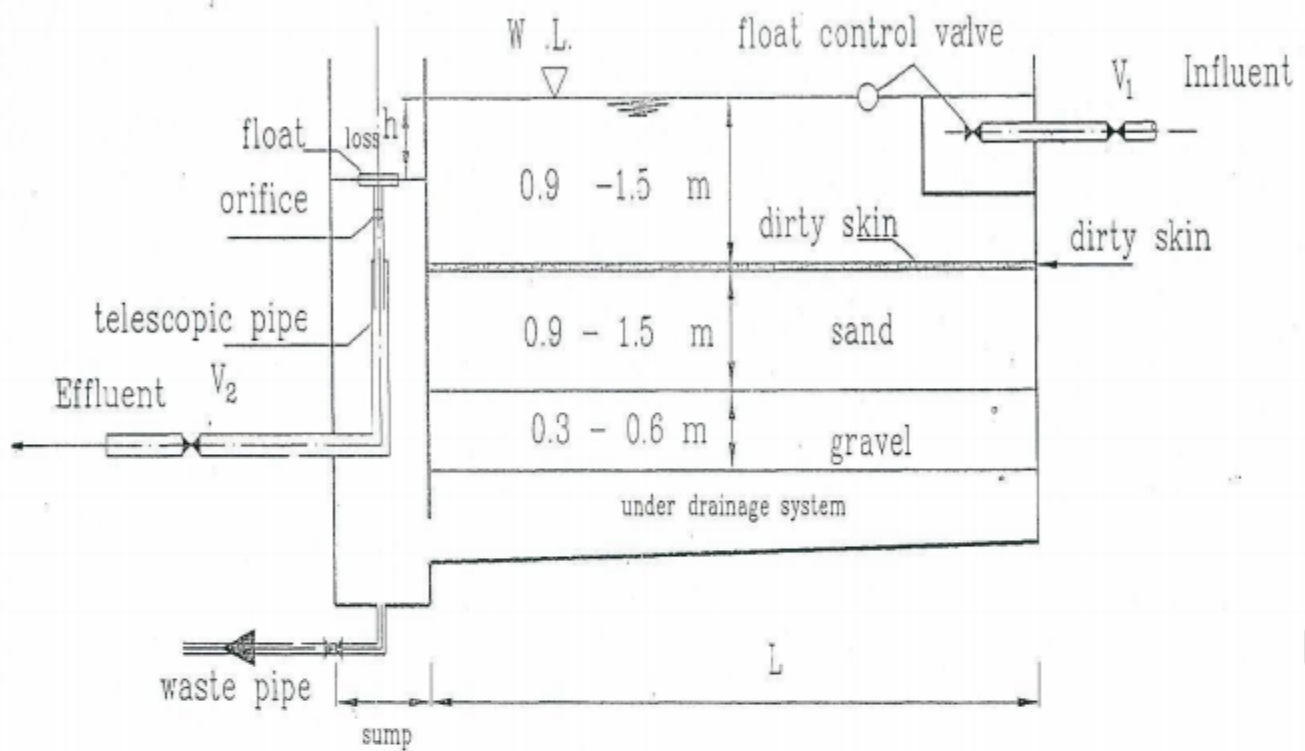
$$n_{\text{working total}} = 10 + 4 = 14 \quad \text{take } n \text{ s.b total} = 2$$

$$n_{\text{total}} = 14 + 2 = 16 \quad (\text{even})$$

$$n_{\text{add}} = 16 - 12 = 4 \text{ filters.}$$

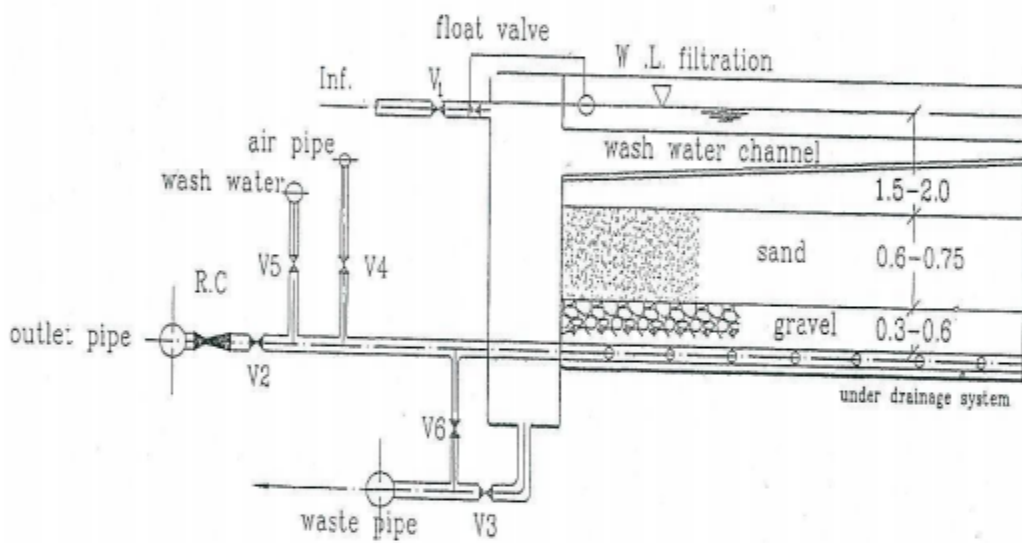
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Slow Sand Filter

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Rapid Sand Filter

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