# DROP TEST QUATERNARY AMMONIUM COMPOUND (QAC) (1 drop = 1.25 ppm) & POLYQUAT (1 drop = 0.5 ppm)

#### **COMPONENTS:**

1 x 5385Instruction1 x 9012Pipet, Calibrated (0.5 & 1.0 mL) w/ brown cap, plastic1 x 9198BRSample Tube, Graduated (25 mL) w/ cap & brown dot, plastic1 x R-0638BR-CPhenolphthalein Indicator, 2 oz w/ brown cap, DB1 x R-0736BR-CSulfuric Acid .6N, 2 oz w/ brown cap, DB1 x R-0881-CToluidine Blue O Indicator, 2 oz, DB1 x R-0950-CComplexing Reagent, 2 oz1 x R-0951-CQAC Titrating Solution (low range), 2 oz, DB

#### TO ORDER REPLACEMENT PARTS AND REAGENTS CALL TOLL-FREE 800-TEST KIT (800-837-8548).

### **PROCEDURE:**

### CAREFULLY READ AND FOLLOW PRECAUTIONS ON REAGENT LABELS. KEEP REAGENTS AWAY FROM CHILDREN.

NOTE: When dispensing reagents from dropper bottles, **always** hold bottle in a vertical position.

## **Quaternary Ammonium Compound (QAC) Test**

### For 1 drop = 1.25 ppm

- NOTE: Run a blank using water containing no QAC. Record drops of R-0951 QAC Titrating Solution (low range) used.
- 1. Rinse and fill 25 mL sample tube (#9198BR) to 25 mL mark with water to be tested.
- 2. Using 1.0 mL pipet (#9012), add 1.0 mL R-0950 Complexing Reagent.

- NOTE: If sample water contains a hardness concentration above 500 ppm, add 2.0 mL (2 x 1.0 mL) R-0950 Complexing Reagent.
- Add 1 drop R-0638BR Phenolphthalein Indicator. Swirl to mix. If sample is colorless, proceed to Step 4. If pink (Fig. 1), add R-0736BR Sulfuric Acid .6N dropwise, swirling after each drop, until color changes from pink to colorless.
- 4. Add 3 drops R-0881 Toluidine Blue O Indicator. Swirl to mix. Sample will turn light blue (Fig. 2).
- 5. Add R-0951 QAC Titrating Solution (low range) dropwise, swirling and counting after each drop, until color changes from light blue to violet pink (Fig. 3).
- NOTE: Further addition of R-0951 QAC Titrating Solution (low range) should produce no additional color change.
- 6. Subtract drops of R-0951 QAC Titrating Solution (low range) used in blank from drops used in sample (Step 5). Multiply by 1.25. Record as parts per million (ppm) QAC as n-alkyl(50%  $C_{14}$ , 40%  $C_{12}$ , 10%  $C_{16}$ )dimethylbenzylammonium chloride.
- NOTE: Equivalences for quaternary ammonium compounds other than that listed must be determined by titration with a known standard.



Instr. #5385





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### **Polyquat Test**

## For 1 drop = 0.5 ppm

- NOTE: Run a blank using water containing no polyquat. Record drops of R-0951 QAC Titrating Solution (low range) used.
- 1. Rinse and fill 25 mL sample tube (#9198BR) to 25 mL mark with water to be tested.
- 2. Using 1.0 mL pipet (#9012), add 1.0 mL R-0950 Complexing Reagent.
- NOTE: If sample water contains a hardness concentration above 500 ppm, add 2.0 mL (2 x 1.0 mL) R-0950 Complexing Reagent.
- Add 1 drop R-0638BR Phenolphthalein Indicator. Swirl to mix. If sample is colorless, proceed to Step 4. If pink (Fig. 1), add R-0736BR Sulfuric Acid .6N dropwise, swirling after each drop, until color changes from pink to colorless.
- 4. Add 3 drops R-0881 Toluidine Blue O Indicator. Swirl to mix. Sample will turn light blue (Fig. 2).
- Add R-0951 QAC Titrating Solution (low range) dropwise, swirling and counting after each drop, until color changes from light blue to violet pink (Fig. 3).
- NOTE: Further addition of R-0951 QAC Titrating Solution (low range) should produce no additional color change.

- Subtract drops of R-0951 QAC Titrating Solution (low range) used in blank from drops used in sample (Step 5). Multiply by 0.5. Record as parts per million (ppm) polyquat as poly[(oxyethylenedimethyliminio)ethylene(dimethyliminio)ethylene dichloride].
- NOTE: Equivalences for polyquats other than that listed must be determined by titration with a known standard.

