

Drinking Water Tank Cleaning: Process Description

Requirement

- Short information sheet about initial situation
- 2 Employees with fully packed cleaning vehicle
- Water connection and power outlet available in the front room of the container

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Adherence to the safety regulations (accident prevention regulations and work safety regulations: wearing of protective clothing, only one employee at a time in the container)

- Adherence to the DVGW information sheet W 291, W 318 and W 319
- Adherence to all hygienic regulations

Cleaning

Set up of the devices:

- All necessary devices and materials should first be carried from the vehicle into the front room of the drinking water container.
- Connection of the water hose with interposition of a pressure increasing pump, if necessary. Target should be water pressure of at least 4.0 4.5 bar.
- Connect compressor (adjusting right turn button: 3.5 bar; large left pressure control: 6-8 bar automatically) and low pressure pump with air pressure hose.
- Turn low pressure pump all the way to minus.
- Estimate cleaner consumption; with a minimum consumption of a 30-kg-container pour ALBILEX-3000 into these 1-2 litre bottles (depending on the iron and manganese contamination) ALBILEX-3000-A and mix. Leave cleaner in the 30-kg-container for concentrated application, or dilute accordingly with water in a mixing basin. (For lower cleaner consumption mix according need in mixing basin.)
- Connect suction hose from the low pressure pump to ,IN'- jack, and insert the other end of the hose into the cleaner jug, respectively mixing basin.
- Roll out extension cord.
- Connect extension cord to ,OUT'- jack of the low pressure pump.
- Connect extension cord to spray lance (6m length). Spray lance has a turncock at the upper end which should be closed at first.
- Place foot basin in front of the container, and pour 1 litre ALBILEX-3000-A into it.
- **Put on protective clothing** (suit, rubber boots, safety mask, gloves, if necessary).



- Cleaning personnel must always pass through foot basin in order to enter the container.
- Pull the water hose into the container, and carefully rinse walls, ceiling, and floor with opened valve. To finish, quickly moisten all walls with water (important, as walls must be moist before applying cleaning agent!). Leave the water hose in the container. (An employee can already take over this step during set up of devices in the front room.)
- Have the valve closed from an employee of the water works.
- Carry spray lance into the container.
- Start the compressor -> Turn the knob of the low pressure spray pump 1-1,5 turns towards ,+' (if necessary readjust depending on spray performance of the valve).
- Applying of cleaning agent on all walls (walls, ceiling, floor)
- If necessary mechanic cleaning with a telescope brush rod can be done in the flush zone and on other walls immediately following, depending on the size of the container.
- If necessary, anew application of cleaning agent onto especially contaminated places.
- Careful rinsing of container walls.
- In the meantime: Place the suction hose of the low pressure pump into a bucket of clean water, and open the valve of the spray lance; wait until all water is pumped out of the hose system.
- **Measurement of the pH value of the cleaning liquid pool**; if necessary, bring to pH value 6-7 with the help of ALBILEX-neutralizer and with help of the neutralization index.
- Have the valve closed from an employee of the water works.
- After complete emptying of the cleaning liquid pool, rinse the floor carefully again.
- Carry all devices & materials out of the container into the front room, disassemble them, and load the vehicle.
- After completed cleaning
 - Inform employees of the water works of the completion of the cleaning
 - Have the inlet vale opened with the outlet valve open, and let water run through the container for 5-10 minutes (Attention: very important, as germs often are found in the still water of the inlet hose!)
 - Subsequently have the outlet valve closed and container filled to 1/3
 - Attach ALBILEX-sticker stating the date of cleaning onto the wall in the front room.
 - Have the delivery paper stating the performed cleaning of the container signed by an employee of the water works.
 - Extraction of sample should take place at the latest 24 hours after completion of the cleaning.
 - Authorize complete filling of the water chambers and release to network after negative statement of the water sample.