GASTEC Instructions for No.101 Gasoline Detector Tube

FOR SAFE OPERATION :

Read this manual and the instruction manual of your Gastec Gas Sampling Pump carefully.

A WARNING:

- 1. Use only Gastec detector tubes in a Gastec Pump.
- 2. Do not interchange or use non-Gastec parts or components in Gastec's detector tube and pump system.
- 3. The use of non-Gastec parts or components in Gastec's detector tube and pump system or use of a non-Gastec detector tube with a Gastec pump or use of a Gastec detector tube with a non-Gastec pump may result in property damage, serious bodily injury, and death; voids all warranties; and voids all performance and data accuracy guaranties.

CAUTION : If not observed, injuries to the operator or damage to the product may result.

- 1. When breaking the tube ends, keep away from eyes.
- 2. Do not touch the broken glass tubes, pieces and reagent with bare hand(s).
- 3. The sampling time represents the time necessary to draw the air sample through the tube. The tube must be positioned in the desired sampling area for the entire sampling time or until the flow finish indicator indicates the end of the sample.

\triangle NOTES : For maintaining performance and reliability of the test result

- 1. Use Gastec Gas Sampling Pump together with Gastec Detector Tubes only for the purpose specified in the instruction manual of the detector tube.
- 2. Use this tube within the temperature range of 0 $40^{\circ}C(32 104^{\circ}F)$.
- 3. Use this tube within the relative humidity range of 0 90%.
- 4. This tube may be interfered by the coexisting gases. Please refer to the "INTERFERENCES".
- 5. Shelf life and storage conditions of the tube are marked on the label of the box of tube.
- **APPLICATION OF THE TUBE :** Use this tube for detection of Gasoline in air or the industrial areas and environmental atmospheric condition.
- **SPECIFICATION :** (As a result of Gastec's commitment to continued improvement, specifications are subject to change without notice.)



Detecting Layer

Measuring Range	0.015 - 0.03 %	0.03- 0.6 %	0.6 - 1.2%	
Number of Pump Strokes	2	1	1/2	
Correction Factor	1/2	1	2	
Sampling Time	1 minute per pump stroke			
Detecting Limit	0.003 % (n=2)			
Color Change	Orange → Dark Green			
Reaction principle	Gasoline reduces potassium dichromate to form chromic sulfate which is dark green in color.			
	$C_nH_m + K_2Cr_2O_7 + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow Cr_2(SO_4)_3$			

** Shelf Life : Please refer to the Validity Date printed on the box of tube.

** Store the tubes under dark and cool place.

CORRECTION FOR TEMPERATURE, HUMIDITY AND PRESSURE :

Temperature : Temperature correction is not required.

Humidity : Humidity correction is not required for relative humidity range of 0-90%.

Pressure Correction : To correct for pressure, multiply the tube reading by Tube Reading (%) \times 1013 (hPa)

 $\frac{100}{100}$ Heading (%) \times 1013 (hPa)

Atmospheric Pressure (hPa)

MEASUREMENT PROCEDURE :

- 1. For leak check of the pump insert a fresh sealed detector tube into pump. Follow instructions provided with the pump operating manual.
- 2. Break tips off a fresh detector tube in the tube tip breaker of the pump.
- 3. Insert the tube securely into pump inlet with $\operatorname{arrow}(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{\succ})$ on the tube pointing toward pump.
- 4. Make certain pump handle is all the way in. Align guide marks on pump body and handle.
- 5. Pull the handle all the way out until it locks on 1 pump stroke (100ml). Wait 1 minute. Read concentration at the interface of the stained-to-unstained reagent.
- For less than 0.03% measurement, repeat the above sampling procedure one more time. For higher than 0.6% measurement, prepare new tube and take sample by 1/2 pump stroke.
- 7. If correction is needed, refer to the Correction for Pressure and Pump strokes.

INTERFERENCES:

Substance	Concentration	Interference	Change color by itself
Acetylene	≧3%		Produce dark brown to whole layer
Propane	≧0.2%		Produce dark brown to whole layer
Aromatic HCs	≧500ppm	Plus error	Produce dark green
Alcohols, Esters, Ethers		Plus error	Produce dark green
Halogenated HCs	≥5000ppm	Plus error	Produce dark green
Hydrogen sulfide	≧500ppm	Plus error	Produce dark green
Sulfur dioxide	≧500ppm	Plus error	Produce green

APPLICATION FOR OTHER SUBSTANCES:

The Gastec Detector Tube No.101 can be used for measuring other substances as below:

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Substance	Correction Factor	No. of Pump Strokes	Measuring Range	
Heptane	Factor : 1.0	1/2, 1 or 2	0.015 - 1.2%	
Isooctane	Factor : 0.9	1	0.027 - 0.54%	
Octane	Factor : 1.2	1	0.036 - 0.72%	

CORRECTION FACTOR : Detector tubes are primarily designed to measure specific gases. But it is also possible to measure other substances of similar chemical properties with the aid of a correction factor or chart. A correction factor is figure which is multiplied by the concentrarion interpreted from the color starting on the detector tube. The correction may also be presented as a chart on tube if the correction relationship is nonlinear. Therefore, please make use of the correction factor/chart measuring ranges as a reference. Moreover, this factor may vary slightly between production batches. For a more precise factor please contact your Gastec distributor.

DANGEROUS AND HAZARDOUS PROPERTIES :

Threshold Limit Value-Time Weighted Average by ACGIH (2000): 300ppm (7 - 8 hours) Threshold Limit Value-Short Term Exposure Limit by ACGIH (2000): 500ppm (15 minutes) Explosive range in air: 1.4 - 7.6%

DISPOSAL INSTRUCTION :

Reagent of the tubes use chromic acid. On disposing the tube regardless of used or unused, follow the rules and regulations of the local government.

WARRANTY : If you have any questions regarding gas detection and quality of the tube, please feel free to contact your Gastec representatives.

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