

GASTEC Instructions for No.152L Methyl Ethyl Ketone Detector Tube

FOR SAFE OPERATION :

Carefully read this manual and the instruction manual of your Gastec Gas Sampling Pump.

⚠ 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 guarantees.

⚠ CAUTION : If you do not observe the following precautions, you may suffer injuries or damage the product.

1. When breaking the tube ends, keep away from eyes.
2. Do not touch the broken glass tubes, pieces or 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.

⚠ NOTES : For maintaining performance and reliability of the test results, observe the following.

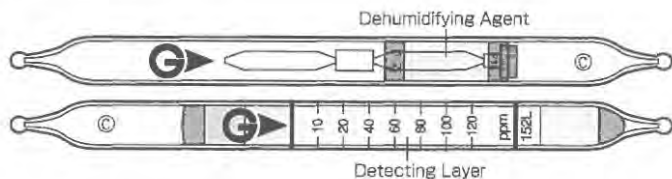
1. Use Gastec Gas Sampling Pump together with Gastec Detector Tubes only for the purposes specified in the instruction manual of the detector tube.
2. Use this tube within the temperature range of 0 - 40°C (32 - 104°F).
3. Use this tube within the relative humidity range of 0 - 90%.
4. This tube may be interfered with by the coexisting gases. Please refer to the table "INTERFERENCES" below.
5. Shelf life and storage condition of the tube are marked on the label of the box of tube.

APPLICATION OF THE TUBE :

Use this tube for detecting Methyl ethyl ketone in the air or in industrial areas and for determining the environmental atmospheric condition.

SPECIFICATION :

(Because of Gastec's commitment to continued improvement, specifications are subject to change without notice.)



Measuring Range	10 - 120 ppm	120 - 384 ppm
Number of Pump Strokes	1	1/2
Correction Factor	1	3.2
Sampling Time	2 minutes per pump stroke	1 minute
Detecting Limit	3 ppm (n = 1)	
Colour Change	Yellow → Reddish purple	
Reaction Principle	The reagent reacts with Methyl Ethyl Ketone to form intermediate product and indicator discolours reddish purple.	

Coefficient of Variation : 5% (for 10 to 120 ppm)

****Shelf Life : Please refer to the validity date printed on the box of tubes.**

****Store the tubes at 10°C (50°F) or below in a refrigerator.**

CORRECTION FOR TEMPERATURE, HUMIDITY AND PRESSURE :

Temperature : Correct for temperature by the table below.

Tube Reading (ppm)	True Concentration (ppm)									
	0 °C (32°F)	5 °C (41°F)	10°C (50°F)	15°C (59°F)	20°C (68°F)	25°C (77°F)	30°C (86°F)	35°C (95°F)	40°C (104°F)	
120	250	220	180	155	120	85	60	40	25	
100	215	190	155	130	100	70	45	30	20	
80	180	155	125	105	80	55	35	25	15	
60	145	125	100	85	60	40	25	15	12	
40	110	90	75	60	40	25	15	10	10	
20	80	55	50	35	20	10	8	8	8	
10	60	40	35	25	10	5	5	5	5	

Humidity : No correction is required.

Pressure : To correct for pressure, multiply the tube reading by

$$\frac{\text{Tube Reading* (ppm)} \times 1013 \text{ (hPa)}}{\text{Atmospheric Pressure (hPa)}}$$

* This value is after other correction(s), if applied any.

MEASUREMENT PROCEDURE :

1. For checking the leakage of the pump, insert a fresh sealed detector tube into the pump. Follow instructions provided with the pump operating manual.
2. Break tips off a fresh primary tube and an analyser tube with the tube tip breaker of the pump.
3. Connect © marked ends with rubber tubing after breaking each end.
4. Insert the analyser tube into the pump inlet with arrow (➔) on the tube pointing toward pump.
5. Make certain the pump handle is all the way in. Align the guide mark on the pump body with the guide mark on the handle.
6. Pull the handle all the way out until it locks at one pump stroke (100 mL). Wait two minute and confirm the completion of the sampling.
7. For measurements higher than 120 ppm, prepare a fresh tube and perform a half pump stroke.
8. Read concentration level at the interface where the stained reagent meets the unstained reagent.

9. If temperature correction is necessary, obtain the true concentration by using the temperature correction table. Afterwards multiply the correction factor of pump stroke if necessary.
10. If pressure correction is necessary, use the pressure correction formula.

INTERFERENCES :

Substance	Concentration	Interference	Changes colour by itself to
Acetaldehyde		+	Reddish purple
Acetone		+	Reddish purple
Acetic acid		No	No discolouration
Ethyl acetate		+	No discolouration
Diethyl ether	≥ 20 ppm	+	No discolouration
Trichloroethylene		No	No discolouration
Toluene		No	No discolouration
Hexane		No	No discolouration
Methanol	≥ 50 ppm	+	No discolouration

This table of interference gases primarily expresses the interference of each coexisting gas in the gas concentration range, that is equivalent to the gas concentration. Therefore, the test result may give a positive result from other substances not listed in the table. If more information is needed, please contact us or your Gastec representatives.

DANGEROUS AND HAZARDOUS PROPERTIES :

Threshold Limit Value-Time Weighted Average by ACGIH (2018) : 200 ppm
 Threshold Limit Value-Short Term Exposure Limit by ACGIH (2018) : 300 ppm

INSTRUCTIONS ON DISPOSAL :

The reagent of the tube does not use toxic substances. When disposing the tube regardless of whether it has been used or not, follow the rules and regulations of your local government.

WARRANTY :

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

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