# CHEMTRONICS Technical Data Sheet

TDS # QbE2

# **QbE**<sup>®</sup>-2 Cleaning System

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

QbE<sup>®</sup>-2 is the patented, portable Precision Wipe Platform for cleaning fiber optic end-faces. It is a self-contained cleaning tool specifically designed to be used with the Combination Cleaning process, utilizing wet to dry cleaning. The cleaning platform includes our FiberSafe<sup>TM</sup> platen to assure no end face damage during cleaning processes. Using the QbE-2 platform makes UPC and APC (angled) end face cleaning easy and provides for First Time Cleaning. The QbE<sup>®</sup> 2 is convenient and economical for use in field or OEM applications.

- QbE-2® is compact with up to 400 cleaning operations per tool
- The Portable, Complete Fiber Optic Cleaning System
- Platen side of box provides surface for cleaning
- Effective cleaning with wet, dry or wet to dry cleaning
- Provides an ideal Cleaning System for field or OEM applications
- Convenient Size Portable system easily fits in tool cases and is handy to use on work benches
- Heavy Duty Lint-Free wiping material tough-enough to remove buffer-gel; soft enough for all end face cleaning
- Wipe material won't shred or tear

#### TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

QbE®-2 wipes are used in Fiber Optic and Telecommunications applications for:

- End-Face Connector Cleaning
- Splice Preparation
- Buffer Gel Removal

# TYPICAL PRODUCT DATA AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

QbE<sup>®</sup> -2 wipes are 100% noncontaminating material. These wipes have high absorbency and contamination entrapment capacity, as well as high wet strength.

- Excellent solvent resistance
- Excellent particle entrapment
- High absorbency capacity and rate
- Very low solvent extractables
- High wet strength

#### **COMPATIBILITY**

QbE<sup>®</sup>-2 wipes are compatible with most common solvents such as alcohols, hydrocarbons and water-based cleaners.

# TECHNICAL AND APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

Chemtronics provides a technical hotline to answer your technical and application related questions. The toll free number is: **1-800-TECH-401**.

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#### **AVAILABILITY**

QbE<sup>®</sup>-2 Wipes 1.375" x 3"

(3.6 cm x 7.6 cm), 200 wipes/box

#### **USAGE INSTRUCTIONS**

### "Dry" Cleaning with the QbE®-2

- 1. Pull one QbE<sup>®</sup>-2 Wipe over the fiber-safe foam platen.
- 2. Hold the end face at a 90 degree perpendicular to the platen.
- 3. Draw the end face lightly over the platen in a smooth linear motion do not press too hard.
- 4. Do not retrace your cleaning procedure in the same area.
- 5. Do not use a figure-eight motion; do not use a "twist & turn" motion.
- 6. Check your work with a fiber scope or measuring device.

### "Wet" Cleaning with the QbE®-2

- 1. Lightly "spot" the QbE<sup>®</sup>-2 wipe on the platen with Electro-Wash<sup>®</sup> PX Fiber Optic Cleaner, orwith the Fiberwash or MX pen.
- 2. Draw the end-face from the solvent wetted area to the dry area.
- 3. Check your work with a fiber scope or measuring device.

## **For Splice Preparation**

- 1. Lightly moisten QbE®-2 wipe and gently wipe away fiber contaminants.
- 2. Lightly dampen a 38540ESD swab, remove soil from V-grooves on fusion splicer.

### **Buffer Gel Removal**

- 1. Pull three single QbE®-2 Wipers out of the container.
- 2. Spray a small amount of Electro-Wash® PX Fiber Optic Cleaner or MX into the folded wipers.
- 3. Pull the cable through the first wiper and discard.
- 4. Repeat until the cable "squeaks" clean.



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