

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

Title: Operation and Calibration of pH Meter

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1.0 OBJECTIVE:

To lay down a Procedure for Operation and Calibration of pH Meter.

2.0 SCOPE:

This SOP is applicable for Operation and Calibration of pH Meter used in Production Department.

3.0 RESPONSIBILITY:

Officer / Executive Production

4.0 ACCOUNTABILITY:

Head Production

5.0 ABBREVIATION:

°C degree Celsius KCl Potassium Chloride

Ltd. Limited
M Molarity
ml Milliliter

pH Potential of Hydrogen

Pvt. Private

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6.0 PROCEDURE:

6.1 OPERATION:

- **6.1.1** Check and ensure that the instrument is clean.
- **6.1.2** Check the due date of Calibration.
- **6.1.3** Switch "ON" the mains then press the switch "ON/OFF" of the pH meter.
- **6.1.4** Remove the glass electrode/ Flat Probe from 0.3 M KCL (Saturated Potassium chloride solution), wash thoroughly with purified water and wipe with tissue paper.
- **6.1.5** Press the "Cal/Meas" switch and insure that the display of pH meter shows "Meas".
- **6.1.6** Dip the glass electrode/ Flat Probe in the beaker containing test solution/suspension.
- **6.1.7** Wait till the reading of pH of solution stabilized and screen of pH meter displayed "READY".
- **6.1.8** Press the switch of "HOLD" and note the reading in the respective record.



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- **6.1.9** Record the details in format "pH Meter Operation and Usage Log" as shown in Annexure –I.
- **6.1.10** Rinse the pH glass electrode/Flat Probe and Temperature probe 2-3 times with purified water and wipe dry with tissue paper.
- **6.1.11** Dip the glass electrode/Flat probe in 0.3 M KCl when not in use.

6.2 CALIBRATION:

- **6.2.1** Store buffer solution in Borosilicate glass bottles and use within one week from date of preparation.
- **6.2.2** Buffer solution containing any suspended particles should be discarded.
- **6.2.3** Rinse the pH glass electrode/Flat Probe and Temperature probe 2-3 times with purified water and wipe dry with tissue paper.\
- **6.2.4** Press the "Cal/Meas" switch and ensure that the display of pH meter shows "Cal".
- 6.2.5 Pour one by one 30 ml (approx.) buffer solutions quantity having pH of 6.87, 4.01 & 9.18 into different status marked beakers for pH solution to perform the calibration of pH meter and ensure the pH electrode emerged inside the pH solution.
- 6.2.6 Discarded the pH solution quantity of pH 6.87, 4.01 & 9.18 after performing calibration compliance of pH Meter.
- 6.2.7 Dip the glass electrode in 30 ml pH 6.87 buffer solution in a beaker and stir gently.
- Wait till the reading of pH of buffer solution stabilized and screen of pH meter displayed "READY". Then press the switch "ENTER".
- **6.2.9** Remove glass electrode/ Flat probe from the buffer & rinse with purified water to make it free of buffer, wipe dry with tissue paper.
- **6.2.10** Dip the glass electrode in 30 ml pH 4.01 buffer solution in a beaker and stir gently.
- **6.2.11** Wait till the reading of pH of buffer solution stabilized and screen of pH meter displayed "READY". Then press the switch "ENTER".
- **6.2.12** Remove glass electrode/Flat probe from the buffer & rinse with purified water to make it free of buffer, wipe dry with tissue paper.
- **6.2.13** Dip the glass electrode in 30 ml pH 9.18 buffer solution in a beaker and stir gently.

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- **6.2.14** Wait till the reading of pH of buffer solution stabilized and screen of pH meter displayed "READY". Then press the switch "ENTER".
- **6.2.15** Remove glass electrode/Flat probe from the buffer & rinse with purified water to make it free of buffer, wipe dry with tissue paper.
- **6.2.16** All the observations shall be recorded in format "Calibration Record of pH Meter" as shown in Annexure-II.
- **6.2.17** Acceptance criteria / Tolerance Limit: $pH \pm 0.02$ of Standard buffer solution.
- **6.2.18** All the measurement shall be carried out at temperature $25\pm2^{\circ}$ C.
- **6.2.19** Rinse the electrode each time with purified water and wipe dry with tissue paper to dry.
- **6.2.20** If Calibration not found satisfactory i.e. all result not come within Acceptance criteria during calibration, inform to Head of Department and affix 'Out of Order' label on the Instrument.
- **6.2.21 FREQUENCY**: Daily or Whenever Required.

7.0 ANNEXURES:

ANNEXURE No.	TITLE OF ANNEXURE	FORMAT No.
Annexure-I	pH meter operation and usage log	
Annexure-II	Calibration record of pH meter	

ENCLOSURE: SOP training Record

8.0 DISTRIBUTION:

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9.0 REFERENCES:

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10.0 REVISION HISTORY:

CHANGE HISTORY LOG

Revision	Change Control	Details of Changes	Reason for Change	Effective	Updated
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ANNEXURE –I pH METER OPERATION AND USAGE LOG

Instrument ID. No.:

Date	Product Name	Batch No.	Start Time	End Time	Observed value	Done By Sign & Date	Checked By Sign & Date	Remarks



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ANNEXURE – II CALIBRATION RECORD OF pH METER

Instrument ID:

Date	pH of Buffer	Observed Value	Pass/ Fail	Due Date	Done By	Checked By	Remark
	Solution				Sign & Date	Sign & Date	

Frequency: Daily or Whenever Required. Temperature of the solution in $25^{\circ}C \pm 2^{\circ}C$