

# BW30XFRLE-400/34 Element

Anti-fouling and Low-Energy Brackish Water Reverse Osmosis Membrane Element

## Key Features

- Good salt-rejection with up to 30% lower energy consumption than standard pressure RO elements.
- Excellent silica, nitrate, ammonium, and per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) rejection.
- Robust and durable, with a wide cleaning pH range and chemical tolerance for effective cleaning.

## Key Applications

- Municipal Drinking Water
- Municipal Wastewater Reuse
- Industrial Wastewater Reuse
- Industrial Utility Water

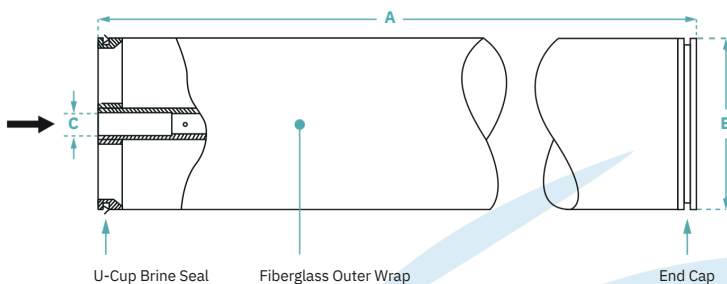


## Typical Properties

| Product                  | Active Area<br>ft <sup>2</sup> (m <sup>2</sup> ) | Feed Spacer<br>Thickness (mil) | Permeate Flow<br>Rate gpd (m <sup>3</sup> /d) | Stabilized Salt<br>Rejection (%) | Minimum Salt<br>Rejection (%) |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| BW30XFRLE-400/34 element | 400 (37)                                         | 34-LDP                         | 11,500 (43.5)                                 | 99.3                             | 99.1                          |

1. Permeate flow and salt rejection based on the following standard conditions: 2,000 ppm NaCl, 150 psi (10.3 bar), 77°F (25°C), pH 8 and 15% recovery.
2. LDP = Low Differential Pressure
3. Flow rates for individual elements may vary but will be no more than 15% below the value shown.
4. Sales specifications may vary as design revisions take place.

## Element Dimensions



| Dimensions –<br>inches (mm) |               |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| A                           | 40.0 (1,016)  |
| B                           | 7.9 (201)     |
| C                           | 1.125 ID (29) |

ID = Inner Diameter  
1 inch = 25.4 mm

The Company supplies coupler part number 313198 with each element. Each coupler includes two 3-912 EPR O-rings (part number 151705).

1. For element weight information refer to [What is the weight of The Company elements as delivered?](#) (Form No. 45-D04811-en)
2. For element packaging and shipping information refer to [How are The Company elements packaged and shipped?](#) (Form No. 45-D04811-en)

## Suggested Operating Conditions

|                                            |                               |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Membrane Type                              | Polyamide Thin-Film Composite |
| Maximum Operating Temperature <sup>1</sup> | 113°F (45°C)                  |
| Maximum Operating Pressure                 | 600 psi (41 bar)              |
| Maximum Pressure Drop                      |                               |
| Per Element                                | 15 psi (1.0 bar)              |
| Per Pressure Vessel (Minimum 4 Elements)   | 50 psi (3.5 bar)              |
| pH Range                                   |                               |
| Continuous Operation <sup>1</sup>          | 2 - 11 1 - 13 75              |
| Short-Term Cleaning (30 min.) <sup>2</sup> | gpm (17 m <sup>3</sup> /h)    |
| Maximum Feed Flow <sup>3</sup>             | SDI 5 < 0.1 ppm               |
| Maximum Feed Silt Density Index (SDI)      |                               |
| Free Chlorine Tolerance <sup>4</sup>       |                               |

1. Maximum temperature for continuous operation above pH 10 is 95°F (35°C).
2. Refer to [Cleaning Procedures for The Company Elements](#) (Form No. 45-D01696-en).
3. For recommended feed and permeate flow rates, flux, and recovery for various feed sources, refer to [Membrane System Design Guidelines for 8" The Company Elements](#) (Form No. 45-D01695-en).
4. Oxidation damage is not covered under warranty. The Company recommends removing residual free chlorine by pretreatment prior to membrane exposure. Please refer to [Dechlorinating Feedwater](#) (Form No. 45-D01569-en) for more information.

## Important General Information

- Keep elements moist at all times after initial wetting.
- For successful operation of Reverse Osmosis (RO) and Nanofiltration (NF) membrane systems, the operation must follow the guidelines provided in the The Company [Reverse Osmosis / Nanofiltration Elements Operation Excellence and Limiting Conditions Tech Fact](#) (Form No. 45-D04388-en).
- To prevent biological growth during prolonged system shutdowns, it is recommended that membrane elements be immersed in a preservative solution.
- The customer is fully responsible for the effects of incompatible chemicals and lubricants on elements.
- Avoid static permeate-side backpressure at all times.
- Permeate obtained from the first hour of operation should be discarded.
- The use of this product in and of itself does not necessarily guarantee the removal of cysts and pathogens from water. Effective cyst and pathogen reduction is dependent on the complete system design and on the operation and maintenance of the system.

Please consider good operating practices for the optimal performance of the Reverse Osmosis membrane elements to assure damage free operation:

1. [Loading of Pressure Vessels – Preparation & Element Loading](#) (Form No. 45-D01602-en)
2. System Operation, including plant [Start-Up Sequence](#) (Form No. 45-D01609-en) and [RO & NF Systems Shutdown](#) (Form No. 45-D01613-en)
3. [Handling, Preservation, and Storage](#) (Form No. 45-D03716-en)

Full information of plant design, system operation, and troubleshooting is given in the The Company [Reverse Osmosis Membranes Technical Manual](#) (Form No. 45-D01504-en).

## Regulatory Note

This product may be subject to drinking water application restrictions in some countries; please check the application status before use and sale.

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