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# **Cryptosporidium and Giardia Cysts Control**

# **Cryptosporidium**

A protozoan or single celled parasite that lives in the intestines of animals and humans. This microscopic pathogen causes gastrointestinal disorders and may result in death.

# **Giardia Lamblia Cysts**

A cyst occurring primarily in surface water as a result of influence by human and animal fecal waste. Causes gastrointestinal disorders and may result in death.

#### **Log Removal**

1 part in 10 parts = 1 log (90%) 1 part in 100 parts = 2 log (99%) 1 part in 1,000 parts = 3 log (99.9%)

#### **Note**

Generally, one micron absolute cartridges are required to remove Cryptosporidium and Giardia Cysts.

### Standards of Performance

- SDWA Safe Drinking Water Act
- SWTR Surface Water Treatment Rule
- NSF 53 cyst reduction (only for point of use equipment having 1" pipe size or smaller)
- NSF 61 additives (leaching of filter components to water supply)
- Challenge tests conducted by independent testing facility (filter housing and cartridge)
- Western States Protocol
- LT2 Challenge test

## **People to Contact**

- State and local health departments
- State Department of Evironment
- Community water systems
- Specifying engineers

- Mechanical contractors
- Industrial and municipal distributors
- Rural water associations in your state

#### **Best Advice**

Recommend only products that have been validated by an independent testing facility for the filter housing and filter cartridge.

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