

Nitrite

Test kit for performing colorimetric tests on nitrite ions in surface water and sewage

Method:

Sulfanilamide is diazotized by nitrite in acidic solution. The diazonium salt is coupled with a naphthylamine to form a reddish-violet azo dye.

Measurement range: 0.02–0.5 mg/L NO₂⁻

Contents of test kit (*refill pack):

sufficient for 120 tests

- 30 mL NO₂-1*
 - 5 g NO₂-2*
 - 1 measuring spoon 70 mm*
 - 2 screw-plug measuring glasses
 - 1 slide comparator
 - 1 color chart
 - 1 plastic syringe 5 mL
 - 1 instructions for use*

Hazard warning:

Information regarding safety can be found on the box' label and in the safety data sheet. You can download the SDS from *www.mn-net.com/SDS*.

Instructions for use:

also refer to the pictogram on the back of the color chart

- 1. Pour a **5 mL water sample** into each of the measuring glasses using the plastic syringe.
 - Place a measuring glass on position A in the comparator.

Only add the reagent to measuring glass B.

- 2. Add 4 drops of NO₂-1, seal the glass and mix.
- 3. Add 1 level measuring spoonful of NO $_2$ -2, seal the glass and shake the mixture until the powder has dissolved.
- 4. Open the glass after **10 min** and place it on position B in the comparator.
- 5. Slide the comparator until the colors match in the inspection hole on top. Check the measurement reading in the recess on the comparator reed. Mid-values can be estimated.
- 6. After use, rinse out both measuring glasses thoroughly and seal them.

The reagents can be used for the **photometric evaluation** with photometer $PF-12/PF-12^{Plus}$.

This technique can be used also for analyzing sea water.

Disposing of the samples:

Information regarding disposal can be found in the safety data sheet. You can download the SDS from *www.mn-net.com/SDS*.

Interferences:

Chromium(VI) and iron(III) ions present in excess of 3 mg/L simulate nitrite values which are too high. Chlorine interferes even in minute concentrations.

Conversion table:

mg/L NO ₂ ⁻	mg/L NO ₂ -N (nitrite nitrogen)
0.02	0.006
0.03	0.009
0.05	0.015
0.07	0.021
0.1	0.03
0.2	0.06
0.3	0.09
0.5	0.15

Storage:

Store the test kit in a cool (< 25 °C) and dry place.

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