# **PRODUCT INFORMATION**



# BRACKISH LOW-ENERGY HIGH REJECTION RO MEMBRANE ELEMENTS 4" AND 8"

AquaGuard® Brackish Water Low-Energy & High Rejection (BWLE-HR) Thin Film Reverse Osmosis elements are made of Spiral Wound Composite Polyamide membrane, and are fiberglass wrapped for durability, operate at lower pressures, provide higher rejection; ideal for light commercial, commercial and industrial RO systems.

#### **Features:**

- Low operating pressure conserves energy.
- Low operating pressure helps prolong life of RO system and pump.
- Higher salt rejection rate than standard BWLE elements.
- Proven reliable and consistent throughout years of operation.
- Handles water quality with a wide range of contaminants.
- Advanced membrane technology handling Brackish Water.
- High GPD water production, high rejection rate, &high pH tolerance.



# Specifications\*:

Model	Permeate Flow^ GPD (m³/d)	Active Area ft² (m²)	Applied Pressure PSIG (bar)	Stabilized Salt Rejection <sup>T</sup> %	Minimum Salt Rejection <sup>T</sup> %
AQ-BWLE-4021HR	850 (3.2)	34 (3.2)	150 (10.3)	99.4	99.0
AQ-BWLE-4040HR	1,900 (7.2)	88 (8.2)	150 (10.3)	99.4	99.0
AQ-BWLE-8040HR	10,500 (39.7)	400 (37.2)	150 (10.3)	99.5	99.0

<sup>\*</sup> Based on internal testing results

## **Test Conditions:**

TDS of Feed Water NaCl	1,500 PPM		
Applied Pressure	150 PSI (10.3 bar)		
Temperature	77 F (25 C)		
Permeate Recovery 40" Elements	15%		
Permeate Recovery 21"Elements	8%		
pH Value	7.5		

Sample collected after 60 minutes of operation.

#### **Operating Limits:**

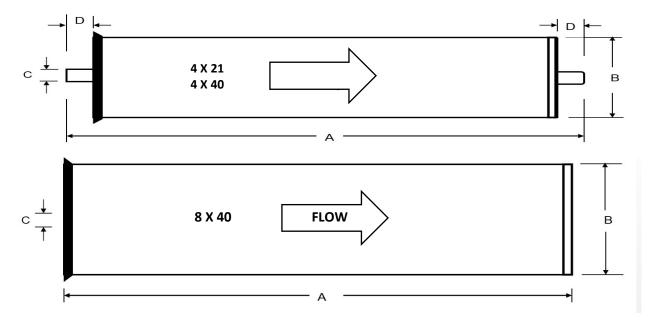
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Maximum Applied Pressure	600 PSI (41.4) bar)		
Maximum Free Chlorine Concentration~	<0.1 PPM		
Maximum Temperature <sup>y</sup>	113 F (45 C)		
Maximum Feed Flow4"X21" Elements	12 GPM (2.8 m³/h)		
Maximum Feed Flow 4"X40" Elements / 8" Elements	16 GPM (3.6 m³/h) / 80 GPM (18.1 m³/h)		
pH Range During Operation <sup>y</sup>	3-10		
Allowable pH Range During Short Term Cleaning <sup>v</sup>	2-12		
Maximum Feed Water Turbidity	1.0 NTU		
Maximum Feed Water SDI	5		
Maximum Pressure Drop of Single Element / Entire Vessel	15 PSI (1 bar) / 50 PSI (3.5 bar)		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> If feed water has pH above 9.5, then maximum temperature for continuous operation is 95 F (35 C)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>T</sup>Salt rejection and actual results will vary depending on operating conditions

<sup>^</sup> Permeate flow per element may vary +/- 20%

<sup>~</sup> Must remove free chlorine from feed water prior to membrane exposure



## Nominal dimensions and weight:

Model	A in (mm)	B in (mm)	C in (mm)	D in (mm)	WEIGHT " lbs. (kg)
AQ-BWLE-4021HR <sup>b</sup>	21" (533)	3.9" (99)	0.75" (19.0)	1.05" (26.7)	4 (1.8)
AQ-BWLE-4040HRb	40" (1,016)	3.9" (99)	0.75" (19.0)	1.05" (26.7)	7 (3.2)
AQ-BWLE-8040HR+	40" (1,016)	7.95" (202)	1.125" (28.6)	-	32 (14.5)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Fits standard 4" ID membrane housings. <sup>†</sup>Fits standard 8" ID membrane housings. <sup>w</sup>Dry weight is approximate

#### **Important Notices and Essential Information:**

- Proper system start-up is essential to prepare the membranes for proper operation and to prevent membrane damage due to overfeeding or hydraulic shock.
- Keep elements moist at all times after initial wetting.
- The membrane has some tolerance to short-term chlorine exposure (hypochlorite) within limits as noted above, but continuous exposure
- will damage the membrane and should be avoided.
- All local plumbing codes (or any other governing agency laws) must be adhered to before and during the installation/use of this product.
- Do not install this product on water that is microbiologically unsafe or of unknown source.
- The use of this product does not guarantee the removal of cysts and pathogens from water supply.
- All wet type membrane elements are sealed in a PE bag containing less than 1.0% sodium meta-bisulfite solution
- Rinse and discard permeate water produced from first hour of operation. Do not use this initial permeate water for drinking or food preparation.
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#### **Limited Warranty:**

This product has a 1-year pro-rated limited warranty. Under the condition that this product is operated within the specified Operating Limits, Aqua General, Inc. warrants this product to the OEM to be free of defects in manufacturing, materials, and workmanship for a period of 12 months from date of installation or 15 months from date of shipment, whichever comes first. If Operating Limits are not followed, this Limited Warranty will be null and void. The OEM is fully responsible for the effects of incompatible chemicals and lubricants on these elements; use of which will void warranty. Aqua General, Inc.'s limited warranty is subject to its sole discretion and will only be considered after receiving the product back, freight prepaid, for warranty consideration. Aqua General, Inc. is not responsible for consequential damage or damage sustained out of the use of its products. In any case, this warranty is limited only to the replacement cost of such element if found by Aqua General, Inc. to be defective at its sole discretion.

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