

# FIBRAFIX® TX-R

## FILTER SHEETS WITH TRIEX® FOR TCA-REMOVAL

Effectively removes TCA from wine and other beverages (patent pending)

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### Characteristics

FIBRAFIX® TX-R depth filter sheets are an effective method of removing TCA (2, 4, 6-trichloroanisole) from wine and other beverages. Contrary to other methods of TCA-removal, TX-R sheets do not damage original aroma or flavour. The FIBRAFIX® TX-R filter sheets contain TRIEX® (patent pending), an inorganic compound. All materials are food grade and FDA approved.

### Application

FIBRAFIX® TX-R Filter Sheets are used like conventional filter sheets. One pass through the filter is enough to remove the TCA.

### Recommended flow rate

350 l / m<sup>2</sup> / h

### TCA in beverages

TCA (2, 4, 6-trichloroanisole) is a serious problem for the wine and beverage industry. TCA can be found in corks, oak barrels, storage tanks and other equipment. It has a moldy odor that people can detect in wine at levels as low as 5 parts per trillion. Surprisingly, even at levels from one to two parts per trillion, it can affect a wine's taste and bouquet.

Earlier methods have been developed to try to treat TCA-tainted wine, but they have proven to be less than ideal. Polyethylene treatment methods are costly, time-consuming and diminish or «scalp» the complex aromas that give a wine its rich bouquet and flavor. Methods employing the addition of milk-products are sometimes used, but they also reduce the aromas and flavors and might result in the wine containing residual allergens. The method of using mustard seed as a TCA-deodorant is also associated with severe taste and aroma distorting effects

### Handling

Depth filter sheets are used in a plate and frame filter, such as the FILTROX NOVOX® series. The sheets need to be wetted when the filters are loaded and they need to be pre-flushed with clean water at 50 L/m<sup>2</sup>.

### Sterilization conditions

The sheets can be sterilized with hot water (85°C) or inline steam (125°C).

## FILTROX quality assurance

FILTROX assures the best quality control according to international standards:

- ISO 9001 (Quality management)
- ISO 14001 (Environmental management)
- HACCP (Food safety)
- FDA drug master file: # 16418

External tests of filter sheets were performed and certified according to – CFR requirements by the NAMSA

FILTROX is using polyamidoamine as a wet strength agent in its filter sheets. The ISEGA institute for food analysis in Aschaffenburg (Germany) performed a test for extractable MCPD and DCP. The FILTROX filter sheets extracts were below the detection limit of the approved standard method for DCP and MCPD.

## EU safety data sheets

EU safety data sheets for all types of FIBRAFIX® sheets can be downloaded from the FILTROX website. Hardcopies are available upon request.

## Material

Purified and bleached cellulose, natural inorganic filter aids, TRIEX®, polyamidoamine (< 3%). Free of plastic fibers and formaldehyde. The filter sheets are free of GMO and common allergens.

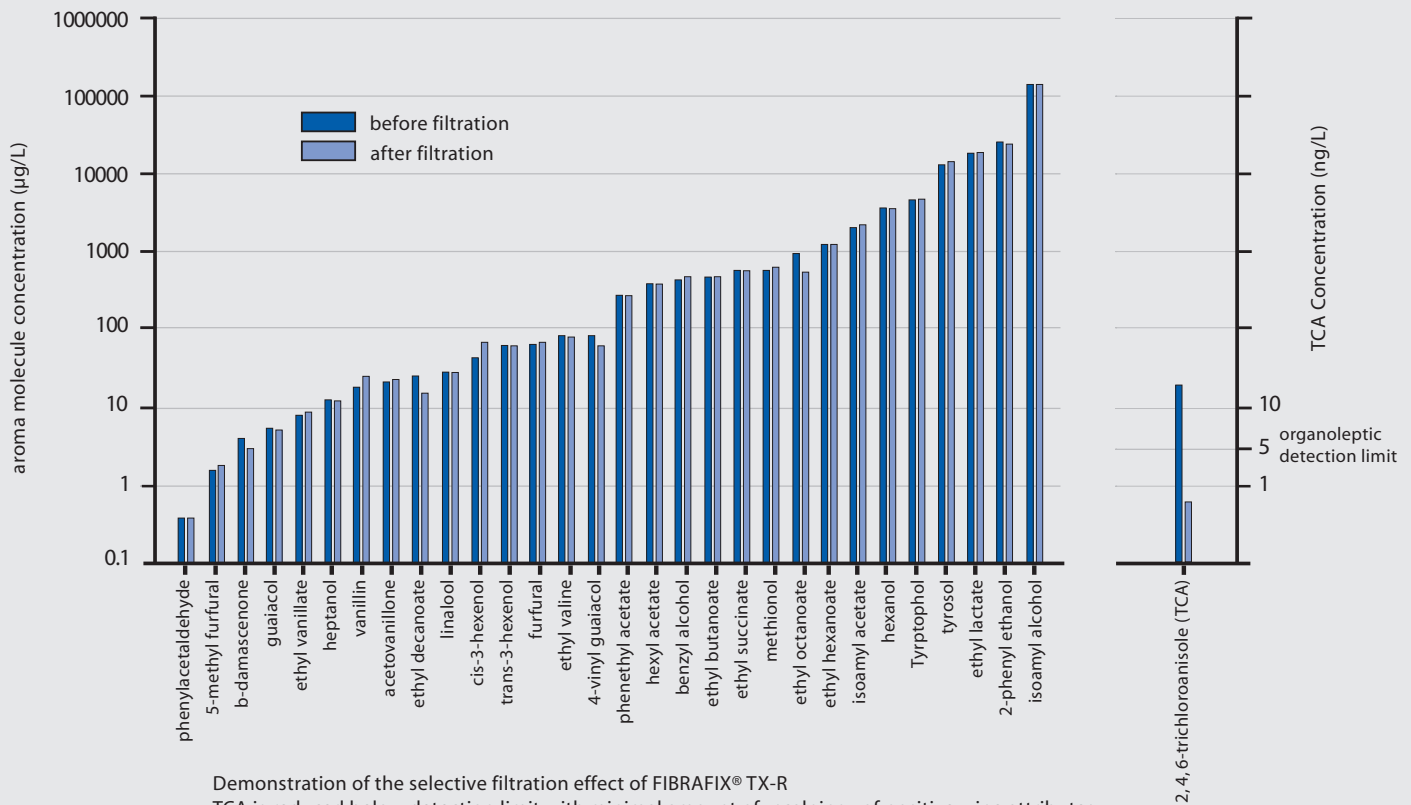
## Disposal

Uncontaminated sheets can be recycled like paper, composted or disposed with the domestic waste. Contaminated sheets must be disposed according to the contamination.

## Storage life and conditions

Sheets should be stored in their original packaging in an odorless, dry and ventilated environment. We recommend to use the filter sheets within 36 months after purchase.

## French Colombard aroma profile, before and after filtration with FIBRAFIX® TX-R



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