

# TM 826 – PHOSPHATE BUFFER, APHA, pH 7.2

#### **INTENDED USE**

For preparation of dilution and blanks for testing of water, foods and dairy products.

### PRODUCT SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

Phosphate Buffer, APHA, pH 7.2 is prepared as recommended by APHA. It is used as a diluent in the examination of water, dairy products, foods and other specimens. Phosphate Buffer, APHA, pH 7.2 is also recommended for use with the addition of magnesium chloride. As per APHA and FDA, this medium is also referred to as Butterfields Buffered Phosphate Diluent and is mentioned without Magnesium chloride. Phosphate buffer is preferred over unbuffered water in order to standardize the wide variation in the pH of distilled water from various sources.

#### **COMPOSITION**

Ingredients	Gms / Ltr
Monopotassium phosphate	26.220
Sodium carbonate	7.780

### **PRINCIPLE**

This medium consists of Monopotassium phosphate which act as a buffering agent and sodium carbonate in this medium act as a pH regulator.

## **INSTRUCTION FOR USE**

- Dissolve 34.0 grams in 1000 ml purified/distilled water.
- Dispense and sterilize by autoclaving at 15 psi pressure (121°C) for 15 minutes.

# **QUALITY CONTROL SPECIFICATIONS**

**Appearance of Powder** : White to cream homogeneous free flowing powder. **Appearance of prepared medium** : Colourless clear solution without any precipitate.

pH (at 25°C) :  $7.2 \pm 0.2$ 

#### **INTERPRETATION**

Results were found satisfactory when dilution and/or blanks were prepared for testing of water, foods and dairy products, using Phosphate Buffer, APHA, pH 7.2.

#### **PACKAGING:**

In pack size of 100 gm and 500 gm bottles.

# **STORAGE**

Dehydrated powder, hygroscopic in nature, store in a dry place, in tightly-sealed containers between 25-30°C and protect from direct sunlight. Under optimal conditions, the medium has a shelf life of 4 years. When the container is opened for the first time, note the time and date on the label space provided on the container. After the desired amount of medium has been taken out replace the cap tightly to protect from hydration.

**Product Deterioration:** Do not use if they show evidence of microbial contamination, discoloration, drying or any other signs of deterioration.













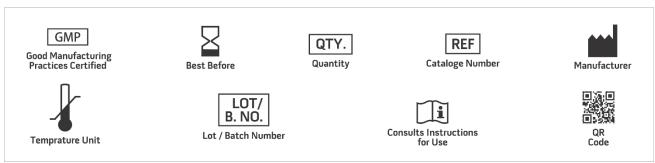


### **DISPOSAL**

After use, prepared plates, specimen/sample containers and other contaminated materials must be sterilized before

# **REFERENCES**

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NOTE: Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling Practices. \*For Lab Use Only

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