VortClarex[®] System Superior Oil/Water Separation

The VortClarex® system is an oil/water separator that utilizes coalescing media to efficiently

remove freely dispersed oil and other liquid pollutants from urban runoff and industrial discharges. It specifically targets oil and grease and is designed for sites where removal of these pollutants is of greatest concern or where oil and grease effluent targets are specified. It is typically installed belowground and in-line with the piping system and can also be installed in pre-assembled concrete manhole or vault designs.

Conventional oil/water separators provide gravity separation by using baffles or T-sections, but are only effective on oil droplets greater than 150 microns. The VortClarex coalescing media maximizes surface area, increasing performance and effluent quality. It is typically sized to remove oil droplets as small as 60 microns and achieve an effluent concentration of 10 mg/L or less.

The VortClarex coalescing media is housed within a precast concrete vault. Unlike other oil/water separators constructed of fiberglass or steel, it does not require antifloatation hold-down straps or concrete traffic collars. Maintaining the system is easy using a standard water hose and vacuum truck, and the media can be cleaned either inside or outside the structure.

In most cases the system will be installed belowground to treat stormwater runoff; however treating oily water from floor drains and vehicle wash down pads is also possible with the VortClarex. In addition to belowground applications, the VortClarex can also be used to treat process and pumped flow applications in an aboveground configuration.



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FEATURE	BENEFIT
PVC coalescing media	Removes up to 99% of free oil droplets down to 60 microns (standard design)
	Effluent has TPH concentrations of 10 mg/L or less in typical stormwater applications
Non-turbulent flow through the system	Maximizes efficiency by increasing rise rate and size of droplets
Precast concrete structure housing	Ensures durability
	Meets HS-20 loading requirements
	Provides for a shallow installation
Belowground system	Maximize land use
Standard and custom models available	Meets Spill Prevention, Control and Counter Measure (SPCC) requirements

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How it Works

Flows enter the VortClarex system via a non-clog diffuser and are distributed across the chamber width. The influent passes over a solids baffle wall where settlable solids drop out, reducing the amount of solids in the flow as it enters the coalescing media. As the flow passes through the media, oily pollutants accumulate on the surface and come into contact with others to form larger, more buoyant droplets. These buoyant droplets rise upward through the media and are released near the water surface. The oil is trapped behind the outlet T-pipe, and treated water exits the system.

RECOMMENDED **TYPICAL SUMP TREATMENT FLOW PIPE SIZE MODEL #** DIMENSIONS DEPTH RATE **INLET/OUTLET** GPM LPS IN ММ FT М FT Μ **VCL30** 6 X 3 1.8 X 0.9 3.75 1.14 110 6.9 6 150 **VCL40** 8 X 4 2.4 X 1.2 3.75 1.14 150 9.6 6 150 VCL60-1 12 X 6 3.7 X 1.8 1.09 200 3.58 225 14.2 8 VCL60-2 12 X 6 3.7 X 1.8 3.58 1.09 440 27.7 10 250 **VCL80-1** 16 X 8 4.9 X 2.4 3.25 0.99 300 18.9 12 300 VCL80-2 16 X 8 4.9 X 2.4 1.03 12 300 3.42 620 39.1 VCL80-3 4.6 X 2.4 16 X 8 3.42 1.03 880 55.5 12 300

VortClarex Model Sizes and Peak Flow Capacity



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