

## **DS40 DESCALER & SYSTEM CLEANER**

- Rapidly removes limescale, black sludge and other deposits
- Restores circulation and improves heating efficiency
- Free-flowing powder for easy use with powerflushing units or via F&E tank or Injector
- Turns yellow when product exhausted
- Compatible with all mixed metal systems
- Neutraliser sachets included
- One 4 lbs bottle treats 26 gallons of water and one 50 lb bottle treats 325 gallons

### Product Uses

For fast-acting removal of limescale, black sludge (magnetite) and other deposits from hydronic heat exchangers and systems. Designed for use with powerflushing units for more efficient, rapid cleaning. Can be used separately to descale a boiler.

For tankless water heaters where limescale build-up is evident, DS40 Descaler and System Cleaner can be used by utilizing an acid resistant pumping station and circulating the solution to remove limescale. The solution should then be neutralized and the water heater thoroughly flushed with clean water before use.



# **Physical Properties**

Colour: Red

Odour: Faint (in solution)

Form: Powder

pH: 2-3 (2% w/w solution)

SG: n/a



### **Application**

#### **Hydronic Systems**

For detailed instructions on the cleaning of hydronic systems using DS40 Descaler and System Cleaner, please refer to the instruction leaflet inside the box. The product can be poured as a free-flowing powder directly into a powerflushing unit or an acid proof pumping station. Alternatively, by pre-dissolving in warm water, the product can be added by any suitable dosing system; for example, a set of bypass valves and hose set.

For a domestic system, one box 4.1 lbs (1.9 kg) is usually sufficient to clean approximately 40 gallons. During the early part of the clean, after 5-10 minutes, a color change of red to yellow indicates that the product is exhausted and more powder needs to be added.

Once the clean has been completed, add the packets of System Neutralizer until the solution turns yellow. If the water is still red, more neutralizer will need to be added. If the two packets are inadequate, additional System Neutralizer

can be purchased from Fernox dealers. The system must be drained down and flushed several times with fresh water until the water running to drain is clear. The use of a Fernox TDS Meter is also recommended to achieve a reading on the flushing water of within 10% of mains water. Reverse flush also helps remove scale particles and pieces that may settle.

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After the final drain, it is recommended that closed loop hydronic systems are protected using Fernox Protector F1.

DS40 Descaler and System Cleaner can also be used in commercial hydronic systems to descale heat exchangers.

#### **Tankless Water Heaters**

When treating an isolated domestic heat exchanger or tankless water heater, one cup or eight ounces of DS40 Descaler and System Cleaner added to three gallons of warm water in a small acid proof pumping station will typically descale in 30 - 40 minutes. In situations of heavy scale, the process may need to be repeated. Once the clean has been completed, add gradually 1-2 tablespoons of System Neutralizer supplied until the solution turns yellow. If the water is still red, more neutralizer will need to be added. To complete the clean, drain the system and flush thoroughly several times with clean water.

As DS40 Descaler and System Cleaner is a powdered product, it is vital to ensure that no residual/un-dissolved powder is left in the water heater. The use of a Fernox TDS Meter is strongly recommended to achieve a reading on the flushing water to match the mains water. A pH measurement can also be utilized (mains water vs system water) in conjunction with a Fernox TDS Meter. The pH measurement may give a correct pH, but will not detect any cleaner residues/dissolved solids left in the water that a Fernox TDS Meter will detect.

Important: It is essential to ensure the water heater system is thoroughly flushed and contains only fresh mains/tap water prior to use. Contact with cleaner/neutralizer and associated residues should be avoided hence the need for effective flushing. If you are unsure do not use. For further advice please call the Fernox technical helpline on 1-800 289 3797 or email technical@fernox.com.

Warning: DS40 Descaler and System Cleaner is a mild acid and not recommended for systems older than ten years or systems that exhibit any signs of heavy damage from corrosion.

## Packaging, Handling and Storage

Fernox DS40 System Cleaner is supplied in 4 lb and 55 lb containers. DS40 System Cleaner is classified as an eye irritant. Eye protection is recommended when using this product. Refer to the product SDS for more information. Keep out of the reach of children.

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