

TECHNICAL BULLETIN

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NO-FREEZ Heat Transfer fluids are ideal for use in poorly insulated heating systems, such as summer homes, mountain cabins with low set thermostats, motels closed in winter, pleasure craft, marinas, recreation vehicles, solar units, factories and sprinkler systems, etc. Specifically formulated for boiler, hydronic and geothermal systems.

NO-FREEZ is a solution of pure high grade propylene glycol with special anticorrosion inhibitors and color indicators. Propylene Glycol is considered

GRAS (Generally Recognized As Safe) by the FDA. NSF International has registered NO-FREEZ and determined it is acceptable for use as a heat transfer fluid where there is the possibility of incidental food contact (HT1). The NSF Nonfood Compounds Registration Program is a continuation of the USDA product approval and listing program, which is based on meeting the regulatory requirements including FDA 21 CFR for appropriate use, ingredient and labeling review.



NO-FREEZ is pre-blended to take all the guesswork, calculations and error out of protecting your system. NO-FREEZ products contain propylene glycol because propylene glycol is the only material safe for most ordinary anti-freeze requirements. This is because propylene glycol is non-toxic and non-irritating and eliminates the possibility of contaminating domestic, potable water with toxic materials. Beware of products that may contain other ingredients such as methanol, ethanol or ethylene glycol, which cheapen these products and raise the toxicity of the anti-freeze. This defeats the very reason for using non-toxic anti-freeze. Also beware of products that are not inhibited or require you to add inhibitor bought separately. Don't endanger your system by using corrosive, uninhibited material. Proper amounts of the correct inhibitors are expensive and necessary. Uninhibited material is not a bargain. Do not use automobile anti-freeze. It contains ethylene glycol which is very toxic.

The best way to test freeze protection is with a refractometer. Refractometers are extremely accurate, easy to use and effective, regardless of solution colors, dyes and temperature. UTILITY offers refractometers for sale as an accommodation to NO-FREEZ users. Included with the refractometer are comprehensive instructions specifically written for NO-FREEZ applications. When a refractometer is not available, UTILITY NO-FREEZ QUICK CHECK TEST STRIPS may also be used.

NO-FREEZ lubricates pumps, valves and moving parts and will not harm plastic or rubber seals, diaphragms or washers. NO-FREEZ will not support bacterial growth.

First to develop non-toxic anti-freeze in potable systems for the plumbing and heating industries, **UTILITY** manufactures **NO-FREEZ** to the highest standards in laboratory facilities. With over 100 years of expertise, our dedication and commitment is your constant assurance of the very latest in technology and engineering, resulting in the finest non-toxic anti-freeze available.

DIRECTIONS

- All new or existing systems should be thoroughly cleaned with UTILITY
 PREP Hydronic System Cleaner or equivalent before utilizing NO-FREEZ.
- Empty and flush entire system through faucets, petcocks and other openings. Then close all openings.
- Replace all water in the system with an equal amount of NO-FREEZ solution.
 We recommend using NO-FREEZ undiluted to obtain the best results,
 however NO-FREEZ can be used to make less concentrated solutions using
 the chart as a guideline to make desired solutions. Do not make solutions less
 concentrated than those shown on the chart. They do not offer proper protection.
- 4. Be sure to protect all drains by adding NO-FREEZ to traps and toilets to prevent freezing. Open each faucet to be sure NO-FREEZ has displaced any water pockets. Close faucets when blue-green color of NO-FREEZ appears.
- For circulating hot water heating systems and solar heating and cooling systems, NO-FREEZ may remain in system all year. Be sure to flush the system thoroughly to remove oil, dirt or scale prior to introduction.
- Test the system for freeze protection and inhibitor level. Additional NO-FREEZ INHIBITOR may be needed. Test the system annually thereafter.
- 7. NO-FREEZ solutions protect by lowering the freeze point. Below the freeze point, ice crystals begin to form and the remaining solution becomes more concentrated. This allows NO-FREEZ to become a flowable slush. Unlike water, NO-FREEZ actually contracts as it gets colder until a point where it will again start to expand. But since it remains a flowable slush, it can flow into available expansion volume in the system.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Do not use NO-FREEZ in systems containing galvanized pipe or aluminum. NO-FREEZ has a greater tendency to leak past faulty joints than water, so all leaks must be corrected properly. **LITTY** *Qwik Seal Powdered Stop-leak* is the only chemical stop-leak that can be used, without risk of incompatibility, to correct leaks in systems containing NO-FREEZ. If your water system has an automatic makeup system, it should not be used because it can dilute and contaminate the system. New systems should be designed with an air cushion as much as 20% larger than required for water only systems to allow for low and high temperature expansion. In order to avoid a loss in heat transfer efficiency, new systems should be sized for increased flow rate to compensate for the lower Specific Heat of NO-FREEZ solutions and, therefore, have no efficiency loss. NO-FREEZ is stable and suitable for use at continuous operating temperatures to 250°F, and will not degrade significantly from short exposure to temperatures up to 350°F. NO-FREEZ will not foam. If foaming occurs, it is due to other factors, such as air or contamination in the system. Be sure the system is free from dirt, grease, oil and other contaminants before installing NO-FREEZ. As with any chemical product, compatibility should be checked prior to introducing NO-FREEZ.