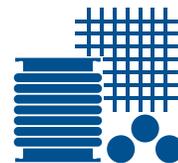


CLEANING YOUR BFM® FITTING



In most cases maintaining the BFM® connector is purely a case of good housekeeping. The media we use to manufacture our connectors will wear with usage over time, but good maintenance will give you the best possible life. You should not prod or push the connector with sharp objects. The connectors are designed to be removed and installed by hand, the use of tools such as pliers and screwdrivers can damage the connectors.

Manually cleaning your BFM

The best way to clean the BFM® Seeflex connectors is with Isopropyl alcohol, which leaves the connectors clear as a window and has the added advantage of sanitizing the connector. You can also rinse or wash your BFM® connector using non-corrosive detergents in warm water. It is important that the BFM® connector is wiped clean and dry of any residual chemicals after washing, and the internal surfaces of the BFM® spigots are also wiped clean and dry.



If using in a CIP application (Clean in Place)

Whether your CIP process uses detergents or chemicals the BFM® can be used. If you are purely using detergents there will not be a problem.

If the CIP process involves chemicals then there are a few guidelines to follow. The percentages listed below are the maximum recommended concentration levels that should be used during CIP for acid and caustic, as these are most commonly used. Any greater level does not provide an increased benefit in terms of cleaning the system, it is purely wasting chemicals. Excess levels will also adversely effect other parts in the system such as seals and gaskets.



Caustic – No more than 1.5%
Acid – No more than 1%

Important, Always Wipe your BFM® fitting after CIP

BFM® Global recommends that the BFM® connectors are removed after CIP to clean any remaining chemicals, both inside and out. Also check that the BFM® spigots are cleaned of any chemical prior to snapping the clean connector back in place.