

FNM cartridge and capsule filters are constructed with long-proven, absolute rated, Nylon 6,6 membrane. Designed to comply will all FDA requirements for the food industry, these high purity filters are used for removing organisms in nonfermenting liquids, sterilizing of aseptically packaged products and cleaning water. Pore sizes range from 0.10 to 0.65 μm and the filter sizes scale from laboratory to full production using identical materials to ensure consistent results.

FNM filters are optimized for flow and high retention. They are flushed to reduce extractables. Products are 100% integrity tested.

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FNM filters are recommended for:

- Syrups
- Soft Drinks
- Bottled Water
- Container Wash/Rinse Water
- Process Water

Bacteria/Yeast/Mold Removal



CARTRIDGES – Nominal Dimensions Length: 5 to 40 in. (12.7 to 101.6 cm) Outside Diameter: 2.75 in. (7.0cm)



CAPSULES – Nominal Dimensions Length: 2 to 30 in. (5.1 to 76.2 cm) Outside Diameter: 3.50 in. (8.9 cm)

Maximum Operating Parameters

	CARTRIDGES	CAPSULES		
Liquid Operational Pressure	N/A	80 psi at 68 °F (5.51 bard at 20 °C)		
Gases Operational Pressure	N/A	60 psi at 68 °F (4.13 bar at 20 °C)		
Operating Temperature (water)	180 °F at 30 psid (82 °C at 2.06 bard)	110 °F at 30 psid (43 °C at 2.06 bard)		
Forward Differential Pressure	80 psid at 68 °F (5.51 bard at 20 °C) (Liquid and Gas)	Liquid - 80 psid at 68 °F (5.51 bard at 20 °C) Gas - 60 psi at 68 °F (4.13 bar at 20 °C)		
Reverse Differential Pressure	50 psid at 68 °F (3.44 bard at 20 °C)	50 psid at 68 °F (3.44 bard at 20 °C)		
Recommended Changeout Pressure	35 psid (2.41 bard)	35 psid (2.41 bard)		

Sanitization & Sterilization

Filtered Hot Water*	90 °C (194 °F), 30 minutes, multiple cycles, max 3 psid forward flow	N/A		
Inline Steam*	275 °F (135 °C), 30 min, 25+ cycles	N/A		
Autoclave*	250 °F (121 °C), 30 min, 25+ cycles	s 250 °F (121 °C), 30 min, 25+ cycles		
Chemical Sanitization	Performed using industry standard concentrations of hydrogen peroxide, peracetic acid, and other selected chemicals.			

^{*}Cartridge Filters – For all elevated temperature procedures above, a stainless-steel support ring is required.

Filtration Area

	CAPSULES	CARTRIDGES AND CAPSULES			CARTRIDGES	
Length	2"	5″	10"	20"	30"	40"
	5.08cm	12.7cm	25.4cm	50.8cm	76.2cm	101.6cm
Area	1.2 ft ²	3.3 ft ²	7.0 ft ²	14.0 ft ²	21.0 ft ²	28.0 ft ²
	0.11m ²	0.30m ²	0.65m ²	1.30m²	1.95m ²	2.60m ²

Integrity Testing

PORE SIZE	DIFFUSION TEST PRESSURE*		BUBBLE POINT MINIMUM*	
μm	PSIG	BARG	PSIG	BARG
0.10	48	3.30	**	**
0.22	35	2.41	50	3.5
0.45	20	1.37	25	1.7
0.65	15	1.03	19	1.3

DIFFUSION SPECIFICATIONS*						
Length	2"	5"	10"	20"	30"	40"
mL/min	≤ 4.3	≤ 14	≤ 30	≤ 60	≤ 90	≤ 120

^{*} All specifications are for water wetted membrane

^{**} Test pressure exceeds operational limits of capsule filters.
Use the Diffusion Test method.

Construction Materials

Filtration Media	Nylon 6,6 Membrane with polyester support
Media Support	Polypropylene
End Caps, Center Core, Outer Support Cage, Capsule Housing	Polypropylene
Sealing Method	Thermal Bonding
O-Rings/Gaskets Cartridges only	Buna, Viton® (or FKM), EPDM, Silicone, FEP Encapsulated Silicone, FEP Encapsulated Viton (or FKM)

Validation

FNM filters are validated using test procedures that comply with ASTM F 838-15(ae1) protocols for the determination of bacterial retention in filters used for liquid filtration. The filters are challenged with the organisms listed below.

0.10μm: Brevundimonas diminuta0.22μm: Brevundimonas diminuta0.45μm: Serratia marcescens0.65μm: Saccharomyces cerevisiae

Validation Guides available upon request.

Extractables

FNM filters typically exhibit low levels of non-volatile residues.

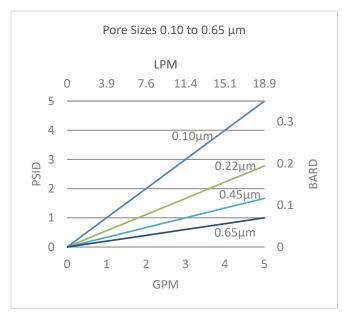
Non-Fiber Releasing

FNM filters comply with Title 21 CFR sections 210.3 (b)(6) and 211.72, for non-fiber releasing filters.

FDA Compliance

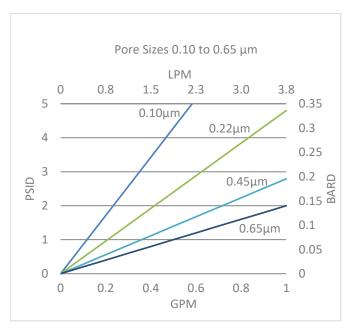
Materials meet the requirements listed by the FDA as appropriate for use in articles intended for repeated food contact as specified in Title 21 CFR sections 174.5, 177.1500, 177.1520, 177.1630, 177.2440, and 177.2600 as applicable.

Flow Rates for FNM Cartridges



Flow rates for Cartridge filters are per 10-inch length. The test fluid is water at ambient temperature.

Flow Rates for FNM Capsules

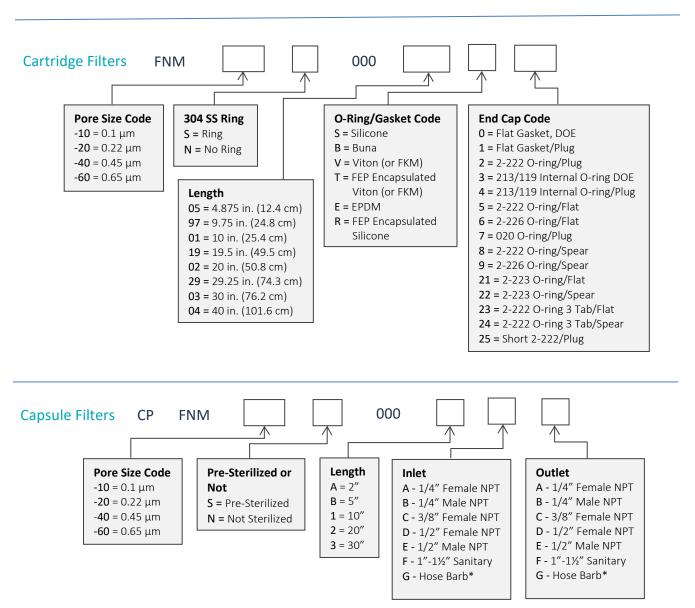


Flow rates for Capsule filters are per square foot of membrane area. The test fluid is water at ambient temperature. Flows are tested using a 2'' capsule filter with 2'' FNPT inlet and outlet ports. Rates will vary based on end configuration of the capsule.

FNM Filters Ordering Information

All Critical Process filters are configurable to meet customer specifications. Fill in the corresponding codes in the boxes below to build your Part Number.

To consult with one of our technical team members, request a quote or place an order: call (603) 880-4220 Ext. 106, or send an email to sales@criticalprocess.com



Housings

CPF offers Model CSH sanitary housings in Single-Round (Inline and T-Style) and Multi-Round (3, 6, 8, 12 and 21-round) configurations.



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