# fact file: Maximum Acid

### What is Agmax Maximum Acid Detergent

Agmax Maximum Acid Detergent is a low foam acid detergent sanitiser. It is MPI approved for use in farm dairies.

Maximum is an acid detergent for farm dairies. Use Maximum for morning and evening cleaning & sanitising of milking machines. Also, for daily cleaning & sanitising of milk vats.

## **Features of Agmax Maximum Acid Detergent**

- Premium concentrated acid detergent sanitiser
- Superior cleaning performance
- New advanced sanitising technology free of quaternary ammonia compounds (QAC) & Nonylphenol Ethoxylate (NPE) free
- Dilution rate: 1mls to 1 litre i.e. 100mls to 100 litres
- Use less Order less Less drums on farm
- Most cost-effective premium acid detergent
- Low foaming
- Readily biodegradable
- Bright yellow for identification
- MPI approved

## **Benefits of Agmax Maximum Acid Detergent**

- Superior cleaning and sanitising performance
- Ideal for plants with high velocity/high water turbulence wash systems
- Effective in all water types
- Increased milk quality safety margin
- For use in hot or cold water (hot in the morning and cold at night, at the same concentration)

## **Available in the following sizes**



- 20 Ltr
- 100 Ltr
- 200 Ltr



Did you know?

A choice of three detergent systems is available from Agmax:

OFull Powdered System Alkali & Acid Sachets

Performance, safety & simplicity. No measuring, no spills or wastage. Use alkali daily or every second day.

OConventional System

Alkali Sachet Powder & Maximum Acid Liquid or Works Acid Liquid.

Performance & economy. Superior sanitising power. With Maximum & Works use Alkali at least twice per week.

OFully Automated Wash System & Reverse Flow System (Backflush) Maximum Acid, Works Acid & Multiwash Alkali Liquids.

When powders can't be used (i.e. most reverse flow plants) do an Alkali wash daily or every second

**CLEANING POWER** is the ability to remove the fat and protein deposits that breed bacteria and depends mostly on your ALKALI detergent. The acid detergent does some cleaning, especially of mineral deposits. Acid can also provide your primary sanitising power (e.g. all Agmax acids). However, the real cleaning grunt comes from alkali, so use a strong alkali detergent and recirculate for 6-8 minutes to enable good contact time in the plant and vat. In summertime increase the number of alkali washes to keep your machine and vat protein free. Maximum and Works were developed and trialed over two years. They have proven to be many times more effective than our previous acids as well as other acid products on the market.

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## **Application**

2 or 3 mornings per week do a hot ALKALI wash (using Agmax Alkali Sachets or Multiwash 900), BEFORE the acid wash. This will prevent fat and protein build-up. On those mornings the acid wash step can then be done with cold water. Maximum can also be used in combination with either or the Agmax Alkali detergents as part of a "Daily Alkali" cleaning routine.

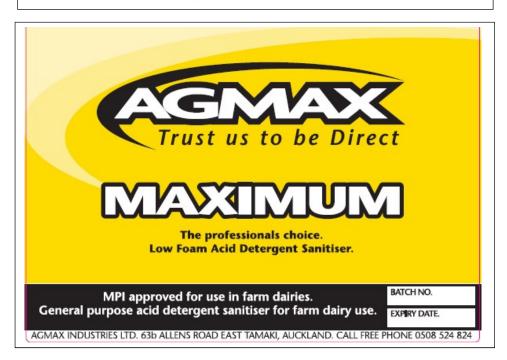
Milking Machine			
Recirculating		Single Pass	
1.	Cold rinse 20Lt per cluster	1	Cold rinse 20Lt per cluster
2.	Hot Acid Wash 10Lt water	2	Hot Acid Wash 10Lt water
	85°C & 15ml Maximum per		85°C & 15ml Maximum per
	cluster. Dump temp 60°C		cluster. Dump temp 60°C
3.	Recycle 6-8 mins & dump at	3	Rinse plant with 5-10Lts of
	60°C minimum		cold compliant fresh water per
4.	Rinse plant with 5-10Lts of		cluster
	cold compliant fresh water	4.	Purge & drain the plant
	per cluster		-
5.	Purge & drain the plant		

#### Milk Vat

- 1 Cold rinse after collection
- 2 Hot Acid Wash 100ml Maximum per 100Lt water 85°C (see below for recommended vat wash volumes)
- 3 Purge and drain the vat

### RECOMMENDED VAT WASH RECIRCULATION VOLUMES (SINGLE PASS DOUBLE WASH VOLUME)

100Lt up to 4500Lt vat 250Lt up to 12000Lt vat 150Lt up to 6800Lt vat 300Lt up to 16000Lt vat 200Lt up to 9100Lt vat 400Lt up to 22000Lt vat





#### Did you know?

TEMPERATURE is important for best cleaning performance. Acid can be used both hot and cold (e.g. hot in the morning & cold at night). But alkali *must* be used hot to be effective. Generally, hot water should be 85°C to start (ex the hot water cylinder) and can be recirculated right down to 60°C and then dumped.

CONTACT TIME is especially critical. Detergents, especially alkalis, reach their maximum effectiveness after about 6 – 8 minutes of contact. You can't achieve that time without recirculating (that's why reverse flow is such a dodgy proposition). If your alkali washes are not at least 6-8 minutes in duration, you're wasting some of your money. If you wash for only 2 minutes, you're wasting virtually all of it. Why pay for 100% performance and then use only 20%?

DETERGENT STRENGTH is often misunderstood, a fact used to advantage by some chemical sales reps. All the major brands are of similar strength and are tested and approved for use at the same concentration. However, one tip to bear in mind is that powdered alkalis are *always* going to be stronger than liquid alkalis. For example, Agmax Alkali Sachets are four times as "caustic" as our liquid Multiwash and contain three times the chlorine.

PRICES of Agmax detergents are consistently more cost effective, because with Agmax Acid and Alkali powdered sachets the use rate is 100gm/100litres and Maximum Acid is 100mls/100litres. Many other brands are 150gm or 150mls per 100litres. Our regular prices are usually lower than other brand's limited time specials, and in the long term we're always lower. You can still save hundreds of dollars per season with Agmax detergents.

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