



LifeASSURE™ BLA SERIES FILTER CARTRIDGES

Product EHS & Regulatory Information

This document provides basic information with regard to the compliance of the above product with various regulatory and industry standards. For other product information or if you have questions regarding regulations or standards not covered in this document please contact 3M Purification.

1) Manufacturer

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2) Product Descriptions Covered by this Document

Type	Removal Rating (µm)	Configuration	Length (Inches)	End Modification	O-ring Material
BLA	020 – 0.20 045 – 0.45 065 – 0.65 080 – 0.80	B – Pleated APT material	01 – 10 02 – 20 03 – 30 04 – 40	B – 226 O-ring & spear C – 222 O-ring & spear D – Double open end (10") E – Double open end (9.75") F – 222 O-ring & flat cap J – 226 O-ring & flat cap	A – Silicone B – Fluorocarbon C – EPR D – Nitrile H – Clear silicone

3) Composition

Filter Membrane	Polyamide
Filter Membrane	Polypropylene/Polyethylene
Support layer	Polypropylene
Core, cage	Polypropylene
End modifications	Polypropylene
Support Ring	Polysulphone
O-Rings/Gaskets	As 'Product Description' table above

4) Compliance with Regulatory and Industry Standards

MSDS

This product is defined as an article under REACH and does not require a Safety Data Sheet under Article 31 of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

Food Contact - Regulation (EC) 1935/2004

LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges comply with the requirements of Regulation (EC) 1935/2004 in that; plastic materials comply with Regulation (EC) 10/2011, all monomers and additives are listed in Annex I and migration testing in simulants B (3% acetic acid) and C (50% ethanol) has shown that total and specific migration limits will not be exceeded under normal conditions of use. Non-plastic materials if present comply with other recognized standards. A full declaration of compliance is available, contact 3M Purification for details.

FDA CFR21

All materials of construction are listed for food contact in the FDA CFR Title 21 as follows;

Polyamide	177.1500
Polypropylene	177.1520
Polyethylene	177.1520
Polysulphone	177.1655
Silicone	177.2600
Fluorocarbon	177.2600
EPR	177.2600
Nitrile	177.2600

Animal Derived Products (BSE/TSE)

3M Purification understands the continued public interest and the increased regulatory scrutiny concerning the transmission of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) and other transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (TSE). In order to address these issues, the following statement is offered:

Animal or animal derived materials are not used directly in our manufacturing processes. In order to assess the BSE/TSE risk associated with the LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges, we have contacted our suppliers of raw materials and performed an evaluation of our production processes to determine if any of the materials used are of animal origin. The result of our survey and inquiries of our raw material suppliers has revealed that the polypropylene resins used to mould parts may contain tallow derivatives and certain rubber gaskets could contain a stearic acid that is used as an activator in the vulcanization process. We can state, however, that these parts which use tallow derivatives and stearic acid are processed at conditions conforming to the requirements of the European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products EMEA/410/01 rev. 3 and are thought unlikely to be infectious, per said regulation.

Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 REACH:

LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges are articles with no intended release of a chemical substance, under the REACH regulation (Article 3(3)) and are therefore not subject to pre-registration or registration requirements.

With regard to Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) to the best of 3M's knowledge, the chemicals from the Candidate List as amended on 17th December 2014 are not present at or above 0.1%.

The cartridges as supplied by 3M are not considered to be dangerous within the meaning of Article 2 of Directive 67/548/EEC and its amendments or Article 2 of Directive 1999/45/EC. Therefore they are not within the scope of Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 Article 31 requiring the provision of a safety data sheet.

Directive 2011/65/EC 'RoHS'

LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges are not electrical and do not rely on electrical currents or electromagnetic fields to operate, they are therefore not in scope of this directive. However to the best of 3M's knowledge the product does not contain any of the listed substances in excess of the maximum concentration values in the Directive.

Allergens

LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges do not knowingly contain any allergens as defined by Annex IIIa of European Directive 2000/13/EC as amended by Directive 2007/68/EC.

Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs)

LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges do not knowingly contain any GMOs as defined by Article 2(2) of European Directive 2001/18/EC.

Phthalates

3M Purification does not use phthalate plasticisers in the manufacture of LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges including;

Di-n-butyl phthalate (DBP)	CAS 84-74-2
Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP/DOP)	CAS 117-81-7
Di-isodecyl phthalate (DIDP)	CAS 26761-40-0
Di-n-hexyl phthalate (DNHP)	CAS 84-75-3
Di-Isononyl phthalate (DINP)	CAS 28553-12-0
Di-isobutyl phthalate (DIBP)	CAS 84-69-5
Butyl benzyl phthalate (BBP)	CAS 85-68-7
Dipentyl phthalate (DPP)	CAS 131-18-0

Polypropylene parts may contain trace amounts of various phthalates as an impurity, according to information from 3M Purification's suppliers the maximum amount of these phthalate impurities in their product is 15ppm in total but typically much less. Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP/DOP) may be present in small amounts (<0.1%) in products using the nitrile 'D' O-ring.

Bisphenol A (BPA)

3M Purification does not use BPA in the manufacture of LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges. BPA is known to be a starting material for polysulphone, migration testing of the polysulphone support ring in accordance with Regulation 10/2011 in 3% acetic acid and 50% ethanol under conditions of 24 hrs at 40°C has shown BPA to be not detectable at a detection limit of 0.06 mg/kg.

Latex

3M Purification does not use natural rubber latex in the manufacture of LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges and it is not known to be present.

Aflatoxins/Mycotoxins

LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges are not intended for human consumption and are manufactured from materials that would not be considered as sources of aflatoxins/mycotoxins. Therefore aflatoxins/mycotoxins are not known to be present in the products as supplied however 3M does not test for the presence of aflatoxins/mycotoxins.

Ionising Radiation

LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges do not undergo ionizing radiation treatment.

Nanotechnology

LifeASSURE™ BLA Series filter cartridges do not knowingly incorporate nanotechnology, defined as the application of engineered structures at the nanoscale (<100nm).

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