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## TYPE WE300 LOW ION REFERENCE ELECTRODE FOR USE IN POTABLE WATER



Silver/Silver Chloride elements in all SILVION electrodes are manufactured using an advanced technique that results in a porous silver matrix being formed around a silver wire skeleton. The matrix is then coated with precise quantities of Silver/Chloride to ensure:

- 1). HIGH STABILITY; 2). GREATER ACCURACY; 3). INCREASED LIFE PERFORMANCE.

For electrodes suitable for use in potable water of very high resistivity we ensure that the pre-determined reduced chloride ion concentration (0.05 Molar) around the element is maintained by using an inert electrolyte compatible with the silver/silver chloride element. Ionic continuity to the environment is via a micro porous sintered disc. Since the chloride concentration of the internal electrolyte is approximately the same as that at the outside electrolyte leaching of the chloride ions and consequent variations in the reference potential of the cell are eliminated.



### OUTER CASING

MATERIAL .....	ACETAL
LENGTH .....	210mm
DIAMETER .....	35mm

### SILVER CHLORIDE ELEMENT

LENGTH .....	50mm (+/- 2mm)
DIAMETER .....	5 x 5mm
GEOMETRIC SURFACE AREA .....	10cm <sup>2</sup>
REAL SURFACE AREA .....	500cm <sup>2</sup>
MATERIALS .....	SILVER COMPOUNDS ARE 99.90% PURE

<b>ELECTROLYTE</b> .....	INERT ELECTROLYTE WITH 0.05 MOLAR KCl
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### PERFORMANCE DATA

STABILITY (POTENTIAL DRIFT AT CONSTANT TEMP AND ENVIRONMENT) .....	+/- 10mV (24Hrs) @ 5 micro Amp load
ACCURACY ( Vs SCE IN 0.1M NaCl @ 20°C)... ..	-50mV +/- 15mV
TEMPERATURE COEFFICIENT .....	-0.65mV/Deg C
DESIGN LIFE .....	30 YEARS (THEORETICAL) @ 0.1µA load
TEMP RANGE .....	-5 to 70 DegC

### QA/QC

All our electrodes are fully tested, calibrated and supplied complete with a calibration certificate. They are individually identified with a unique number to ensure full traceability. All dimensions +/-1mm unless otherwise stated

Historical DNV guidelines have required Ag/AgCl seawater electrodes to have a potential within the range of -5mV +/- 5mV against SCE at ambient temperatures in seawater (or 3 to 3.5% sodium chloride solutions). The DNV guidelines had been based on the value measured when the SCE electrode is connected to the positive terminal of the voltmeter and the Ag/AgCl/seawater electrode connected to the negative terminal. Silvion quote reference electrode potential values on this test certificate using the electrode connection arrangement originally adopted by DNV. However, it should be noted that the values of reference electrode potential often given in published literature for the Ag/AgCl seawater electrode, when quoted with reference to or versus a SCE electrode are in fact +5mV +/- 5mV versus SCE. This is different to the value that has historically been used and quoted by DNV. The reason for the difference is the polarity of reference electrode connection affects the polarity of the potential measurement that is obtained but not its magnitude. When potential values are quoted with reference to or versus SCE, the electrode that is being used as the known voltage source e.g. SCE is connected to the negative terminal of the voltmeter and the Ag/AgCl seawater electrode under test is connected to the positive terminal of the voltmeter. The potential obtained using the latter method of electrode connection will give a potential with reference to the SCE electrode and that value would be within the range +5mV +/- 5mV. Ag/AgCl electrodes in low ion chloride solution (0.3% sodium chloride (0.05M)) will have a potential within the range -50mV +/-15mV when measured against a SCE @ 20DegC.

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