

# CHEMICAL RESISTANCE CHART FOR VARIOUS PUMP MATERIALS

The recommendations listed on the following pages are based upon information from material suppliers and careful examination of available information and are believed to be accurate. However, since the resistance of metals, plastics, and elastomers can be affected by concentration, temperature, presence of other chemicals and other factors, this information should be considered as a general guide rather than an unqualified guarantee. Ultimately the customer must determine the suitability of the pump used in various solutions.

All recommendations assume ambient temperatures unless otherwise noted. The ratings for these materials are based upon the chemical resistance only. Added consideration must be given to pump selections when the chemical is abrasive, viscous in nature, or has a specific gravity greater than 1:1.

How to use this chart: Column at left lists chemicals in alphabetic order. Columns at right list various pump materials, and their resistance to the chemicals are rated by a letter code.

## Chemical Effect Ratings

**A - NO EFFECT - ACCEPTABLE**

**B - MINOR EFFECT - ACCEPTABLE**

**C - MODERATE EFFECT - QUESTIONABLE**

**D - SEVERE EFFECT - NOT RECOMMENDED**

\* - NOT TESTED

## FOOTNOTES

1. P.V.C. - Satisfactory to 72°F
2. Polypropylene - Satisfactory to 72°F
3. Polypropylene - Satisfactory to 120°F
4. Buna-N - Satisfactory for "O" Rings
5. Polyacetal - Satisfactory to 72°F
6. Ceramag - Satisfactory to 72°F

The performance comments and limitations listed above are supplied by Harwil Corporation for information only. Ultimately the customer must determine the suitability of Harwil Corporation products used in various solutions, situations and environments.

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<b>A</b>																	
Acetaldehyde <sup>5</sup>	A	A	B	A	A	D	*	D	A	*	B	A	D	B	B	A	
Acetamide	B	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	A	A	A	
Acetate Solv. <sup>2</sup>	B	A	B	*	*	A	C	B	A	*	D	*	D	D	*	A	
Acetic Acid, Glacia <sup>1</sup>	B	A	B	A	A	C	C	C	A	C	B	A	D	D	B	B	
Acetic Acid 20%	B	A	*	A	A	*	C	B	A	A	A	A	A	C	*	B	
Acetic Acid 80%	B	A	*	A	A	*	C	D	A	B	B	*	A	C	*	B	
Acetic Acid	B	A	B	A	A	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	C	C	B	A	
Acetic Anhydride	A	A	B	A	A	C	D	D	A	D	A	A	D	A	B	A	
Acetone <sup>6</sup>	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	A	D	B	A	D	D	A	B	
Acetyl Chloride	C	A	*	*	*	D	*	*	A	*	*	A	A	*	*	A	
Acetylene <sup>2</sup>	A	A	A	B	*	B	*	B	*	*	D	A	A	A	A	A	
Acrylonitrile	A	C	B	B	B	A	*	*	*	B	A	C	D	D	A		
<b>Alcohols</b>																	
Amyl	A	A	C	A	A	A	B	A	A	C	B	A	A	A	A	A	
Benzyl	A	A	B	A	A	A	C	D	*	A	A	*	A	D	B	A	
Butyl	A	A	B	B	A	B	C	A	A	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	
Diacetone <sup>2</sup>	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	D	*	A	D	*	D	D	A	A	
Ethyl	A	A	B	A	A	A	C	A	*	A	A	*	A	A	B	A	
Hexyl	A	A	A	A	A	C	*	*	A	A	*	A	A	A			
Isobutyl		A	A	B	A	A	A	C	*	*	A	A	*	A	C	A	A
Isopropyl		A	A	B	A	A	A	C	*	*	A	A	*	A	C	A	A
Methyl <sup>6</sup>		A	A	B	A	A	A	C	B	A	A	A	*	C	B	A	A
Octyl		A	A	A	A	A	A	C	*	*	A	*	*	A	B	A	A
Propyl		A	A	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	A	A
Aluminum Chloride 20%		D	C	B	A	A	D	*	A	*	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Aluminum Chloride		D	C	D	C	A	C	*	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	*	A
Aluminum Fluoride		D	C	*	D	B	*	*	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	A
Aluminum Hydroxide <sup>6</sup>		A	A	A	*	*	A	*	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	A
Alum Potassium Sulfate (Alum), 10%		A	*	A	*	B	*	*	A	A	*	*	*	A	*	*	A
Alum Potassium Sulfate (Alum), 100%		D	A	B	*	B	C	*	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	A
Aluminum Sulfate		C	C	A	A	A	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Amines		A	A	A	B	A	B	*	C	A	B	*	*	D	D	B	A
Ammonia 10%		*	A	*	A	A	*	*	A	A	A	A	A	D	*	B	
Ammonia, Anhydrous		B	A	B	B	A	D	*	A	A	A	A	B	D	B	A	A
Ammonia, Liquids		A	A	D	*	B	D	*	A	A	A	A	*	D	B	A	A
Ammonia, Nitrate		A	A	C	*	*	D	*	B	*	A	A	*	*	A	*	A
Ammonium Bifluoride		C	A	D	*	B	*	*	A	*	A	A	*	A	A	*	A
Ammonium Carbonate		A	A	C	A	B	B	*	A	A	A	A	*	B	D	A	A







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Corn	A	A	B	*	*	B	*	*	*	*	A	*	A	A	C	A	Arsenic Plating 110°F	*	A	*	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	B		
Cotton Seed	A	A	B	*	*	B	*	*	A	A	*	A	A	A	C	A	Brass Plating Regular Brass Bath 100°F	*	A	*	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	B		
Cresote <sup>2</sup>	A	A	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	D	*	A	A	A	A	High Speed Brass Bath 110°F	*	A	*	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	B		
Diesel Fuel (2D, 3D, 4D, 5D)	A	A	A	*	*	A	*	*	*	D	A	A	A	A	D	A	Bronze Plating Copper-Cadmium Bronze Bath R.T.	*	A	*	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	B		
Fuel (1,2,3,5A, 5B, 6)	A	A	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	D	B	*	A	B	D	A	Copper-Tin Bronze Bath 160°F	*	A	*	A	*	*	D	A	A	*	A	A	*	C		
Oils (Cont.) Ginger	A	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	A	*	Platings (Cont.) Copper-Zinc Bronze Bath 100°F	*	A	*	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	B		
Hydraulic (See Hydraulic)																	Copper-Zinc Bronze Bath 100°F	*	A	*	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	B		
Lemon	A	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	D	*	A	*	*	A	Cadmium Plating Cyanide Bath 90°F	*	A	*	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	B		
Linseed	A	A	A	*	*	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	A	*	A	D	Fluoborate Bath 100°F	*	A	*	D	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	B	*	B	
Mineral	A	A	A	*	*	A	*	A	*	B	B	A	A	A	D	A	Chromium Plating Chromic-Sulfuric Bath 130°F	*	C	*	A	A	*	*	A	A	D	*	C	D	*	D	
Olive	A	A	A	*	*	B	*	A	*	A	*	A	*	A	*	A	Fluosilicate Bath 95°F	*	C	*	C	A	*	*	A	A	D	A	*	C	D	*	D
Orange	A	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	*	A	*	A	*	A	A	Fluoride Bath 130°F	*	D	*	C	A	*	*	A	A	D	A	*	C	D	*	D
Palm	A	A	A	*	*	B	*	A	*	*	*	*	A	A	*	A	Black Chrome Bath 115°F	*	C	*	A	A	*	*	A	A	D	A	*	C	D	*	D
Peanut <sup>3</sup>	A	A	A	*	*	A	*	A	*	*	D	*	A	A	*	A	Barrel Chrome Bath 95°F	*	D	*	C	A	*	*	A	A	D	A	*	C	D	*	D
Peppermint <sup>2</sup>	A	A	*	*	*	A	*	*	*	*	D	*	A	D	*	A	Copper Plating (Cyanide) Copper Strike Bath 120°F	*	C	*	A	A	*	*	A	A	D	A	*	C	D	*	D
Pine	A	A	A	*	*	D	*	A	A	*	*	*	A	A	*	A	Rochelle Salt Bath 150°F	*	A	*	A	A	*	*	D	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	C
Rape Seed	A	A	*	*	*	A	*	A	*	*	*	*	A	B	*	A	High Speed Bath 180°F	*	A	*	A	A	*	*	D	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	C
Rosin	A	A	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	*	A	*	A	A	Copper Plating (Acid) Copper Sulfate Bath R.T.	*	D	*	A	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	D	
Sesame Seed	A	A	A	*	*	A	*	A	*	*	*	A	*	*	A	A	Gold Plating Cyanide 150°F	*	A	*	A	A	C	*	D	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	D
Silicone	A	A	*	*	*	A	*	*	*	A	A	*	A	*	A	A	Neutral 75°F	*	C	*	A	A	*	*	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	A
Soybean	A	A	A	*	*	B	*	A	*	*	A	*	A	*	A	A	Acid 75°F	*	C	*	A	A	*	*	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	A
Sperm	A	A	*	*	*	A	*	A	*	*	*	*	A	A	*	A	Indium Sulfamate Plating R.T.	*	C	*	A	A	*	*	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	A
Tanning	A	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	A	A	Iron Plating Ferrous Chloride Bath 190°F	*	D	*	A	D	*	*	D	A	A	C	*	A	B	*	D
Turbine	A	A	A	*	*	A	*	A	*	*	*	*	A	A	*	A	Ferrous Sulfate Bath 150°F	*	C	*	A	A	*	*	D	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	D
Oleic Acid	A	A	B	*	B	B	C	A	C	C	C	*	D	B	D	A	Ferroso Am. Sulfate Bath 150°F	*	C	*	A	A	*	*	D	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	B
Oleum 25%	*	*	*	*	A	*	*	D	A	D	*	*	A	D	D	Copper (Misc.) Copper Pyrophosphate 140°F	*	A	*	A	A	*	*	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	B	
Oleum	*	A	B	*	*	C	C	D	A	*	D	*	A	C	D	Copper (Electroless) 140°F	*	*	*	*	D	*	A	A	A	A	*	A	D	*	B		
Oxalic Acid (Cold)	A	B	C	C	B	B	C	A	A	C	A	*	A	B	A	Gold Plating Cyanide 150°F	*	A	*	A	A	C	*	D	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	D	



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Sodium Hypochlorite (to 20%)	C	C	C	A	A	D	D	A	A	A	D	C	A	C	B	B	*	*	C	*	*	A	A	A	A	A	*	A				
Sodium Hypochlorite	*	A	D	A	A	D	*	A	A	A	C	B	B	*	*	A	*	*	A	C	*	*	A	D	D	A	D	A				
Sodium Hyposulfite	A	A	D	*	*	D	*	*	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	C	*	*	A	A	C	*	*	A	D	D	A	*	A		
Sodium Metaphosphate <sup>2</sup>	*	A	A	*	*	C	C	*	A	*	D	*	A	A	A	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	D	C	A	*	A		
Sodium Metasilicate	*	A	B	*	*	B	*	*	A	*	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	D	A	A	*	*	B	D	A	A	
Sodium Nitrate	A	A	A	A	B	B	C	A	A	A	A	*	D	C	A	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	D	A	*	*	A					
Sodium Perborate	*	C	B	*	*	C	C	*	A	A	A	*	A	B	A	A	*	*	A	C	A	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sodium Peroxide	A	A	C	*	B	C	C	A	A	*	*	*	A	C	A	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	A	A				
Sodium Polyphosphate (Mono, Di, Tribasic)	A	A	D	A	A	C	*	*	A	A	*	*	A	A	A	A	*	*	C	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sodium Silicate	A	B	C	A	B	C	C	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	A	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sodium Sulfate	A	A	B	A	B	B	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	*	*	C	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sodium Sulfide	A	B	D	A	B	D	D	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	D	A	*	A	B	*	A				
Sodium Sulfide	C	C	C	A	A	C	*	A	A	*	*	*	A	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sodium Tetraborate	*	A	*	*	*	*	*	A	*	A	*	*	A	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sodium Thiosulphate ("Hypo")	A	A	B	A	*	D	D	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	A	*	*	C	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A					
Sorghum	A	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A		
Soy Sauce	A	A	A	*	*	A	*	*	*	A	*	*	*	A	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A			
Stannic Chloride	D	D	D	A	B	D	*	A	A	A	A	*	A	A	A	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	A	A				
Stannic Fluoborate	*	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	*	*	*	A	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A			
Stannous Chloride	D	C	D	A	A	D	*	A	A	*	*	*	B	C	*	A	*	*	C	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	*	A			
Starch	A	A	A	*	*	B	*	A	A	A	*	*	A	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Stearic Acid <sup>2</sup>	A	A	B	A	A	C	C	A	A	A	D	*	A	B	B	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Stoddard Solvent	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	D	A	A	B	D	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Styrene	A	A	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	A	*	*	B	D	D	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	D	D	A	*	*	A				
Sugar {Liquids}	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	*	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sulfate Liquors	C	C	B	*	A	C	*	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sulfur Chloride	D	D	D	*	*	C	D	A	A	A	D	*	A	D	D	C	*	*	C	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sulfur Dioxide <sup>2</sup>	A	A	A	A	B	B	*	D	A	D	D	A	D	D	A	A	*	*	B	C	A	*	A	A	A	A	A	A				
Sulfur Dioxide (dry)	A	A	A	*	A	A	C	D	A	*	*	*	D	*	*	D	*	*	A	*	*	A	D	*	A	*	*	A				
Sulfur Trioxide (dry)	A	C	A	*	*	B	*	A	A	D	*	*	A	D	B	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sulfuric Acid (to 10%)	D	C	*	*	A	*	D	A	*	A	A	A	*	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sulfuric Acid	D	D	*	*	B	*	D	A	*	B	A	B	A	*	*	B	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
10%-75% <sup>2</sup>																																
Sulfuric Acid	*	D	*	*	B	*	D	B	*	A	B	C	A	*	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A			
75%-100%																																
Sulfurous Acid	C	B	*	*	B	*	*	A	*	A	A	*	A	*	*	B	*	*	A	*	*	B	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Sulfuryl Chloride	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	*	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		
Syrup	A	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	*	A	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*				
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Tallow	A	A	A	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	*	*	*	A	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A			
Tannic Acid	A	A	C	A	B	B	*	A	A	A	A	*	A	D	A	A	*	*	A	*	*	D	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Tanning Liquors	A	A	C	A	A	A	*	A	A	*	A	*	A	*	A	C	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A					
Tartaric Acid	A	B	C	A	B	A	C	A	A	A	A	*	A	D	*	A	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A					
Tetrachlorethane	*	A	*	A	A	*	*	D	A	D	A	*	A	D	D	A	*	*	C	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Tetrahydrofuran	A	A	D	*	*	D	*	D	A	D	C	A	D	D	B	A	*	*	C	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A				
Toluene, Toluol <sup>3</sup>	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	A	D	D	A	C	D	D	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A	*	*	A					