

# PNC Cartridge Filters

## Positively Charged Nylon 6,6 Membrane



PNC Membrane Filter Cartridges are sterilizing grade cartridges with charged Nylon 6,6 membrane. The nylon membrane used in these cartridges is positively charged for enhanced retention of particles below the rated pore size of the filter. Nylon cartridges see broad service in sterile fill applications in SVPs and as bioburden management filters in LVPs. Media preparation and service liquid filtration are other common applications for this cartridge. Positively charged nylon is particularly suited for endotoxin removal in water systems. Nylon is also used for filtration of solvents because of its broad compatibility and low level of extractables.

### Construction Materials

<b>Filtration Media</b>	Positively Charged Nylon 6,6 Membrane
<b>Media Support</b>	Polypropylene
<b>End Caps</b>	Polypropylene
<b>Center Core</b>	Polypropylene
<b>Outer Support Cage</b>	Polypropylene
<b>Sealing Method</b>	Thermal Bonding
<b>O-rings</b>	Buna, Viton® (or FKM), EP, Silicone, FEP Encapsulated Silicone, FEP Encapsulated Viton (or FKM)

Note: All materials of construction are FDA accepted. Final assemblies have been validated to pass USP Class VI toxicology extractable tests, oxidizable substances for plastics, endotoxin level, and other quality tests.

### Dimensions

<b>Length</b>	5 to 40 in. (12.7 to 101.6 cm) nominal
<b>Outside Diameter</b>	2.75 in. (7.0 cm) nominal
<b>Filtration Area</b>	7.0 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.65 m <sup>2</sup> ) per 10 in. length

### Applications

- ◆ Diagnostics
- ◆ LVPs and SVPs
- ◆ Water for Injection
- ◆ Dialysis Applications
- ◆ Biologicals
- ◆ Endotoxin Reduction

### Integrity Test Specifications

Per 10-in. length, water-wetted membrane

Pore Size	Air Diffusion Rate
<b>0.10 µm</b>	< 15 cc/min at 48 psig (3.3 barg)
<b>0.22 µm</b>	< 15 cc/min at 35 psig (2.4 barg)
<b>0.45 µm</b>	< 15 cc/min at 20 psig (1.4 barg)
<b>0.65 µm</b>	< 15 cc/min at 15 psig (1.0 barg)

### Maximum Operating Parameters

<b>Differential Pressure</b>	
• Forward	50 psid (3.4 barg) at 20 °C (68 °F)
• Reverse	40 psid (2.7 barg) at 20 °C (68 °F)
<b>Operating Temperature</b>	82 °C (180 °F) at 10 psid (0.69 barg) in water
<b>Recommended Changeout Pressure</b>	35 psid (2.4 barg)

### Sanitization/Sterilization

<b>Filtered Hot Water</b>	90 °C (194 °F), 30 minutes, multiple cycles, max 3 psid forward flow
<b>Autoclave</b>	121 °C (250 °F), 30 min, multiple cycles
<b>In-line Steam</b>	135 °C (275 °F), 30 min, multiple cycles

For all elevated temperature procedures above, a stainless steel support ring is required.

### Chemical Sanitization

Nylon does not tolerate aggressive chemical sanitization protocols. Nylon membrane cartridges are best sanitized with 1% hydrogen peroxide or 1% hydrogen peroxide and peracetic acid. Various manufacturers use different concentrations of active ingredients. Refer and adhere to the manufacturer's instructions for sanitizing nylon membrane.

### Endotoxin Removal

PNC filters removed up to 99.9% of endotoxin when challenged with between 3EU/ml and 240EU/ml.

## Total Performance

Critical Process Filtration, Inc. is a vertically integrated manufacturer of filtration products to industries in which filtration is considered a critical part of the manufacturing process. We supply a complete line of products and services to help you cost effectively satisfy all your filtration requirements from a single source.

## Quality Assurance and Standards

Critical Process Filtration filters are designed for use in cGMP-compliant processes. Our state of the art manufacturing facility and quality management system both meet ISO 9001:2008 standards. Each operation from assembly and test to cleaning, drying, and packaging is done in appropriately rated clean rooms. Each filter is assigned a lot code to ensure the traceability of manufacturing data and materials. A sophisticated MRP system collects and processes real time data from manufacturing centers and inspection points. This allows variable and attribute data to be quickly and easily analyzed driving constant improvements in both quality and cost.

## USP Biosafety and FDA Compliance

The materials used to construct pharmaceutical grade NC filters are non-toxic and meet the requirements for the MEM Elution Cytotoxicity Test and the requirements for Biological Reactivity Tests in the current version of the United States Pharmacopeia (USP) for Class VI - 121 °C Plastics. In addition, the 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 appropriate. PNC filters comply with Title 21 CFR sections 210.3 (b)(6) and 211.72, for non-fiber releasing filters. The levels of bacterial endotoxins in aqueous extracts from pharmaceutical grade filters are below current USP limits as specified for water for injection.

## Extractables

Pharmaceutical grade filters typically exhibit low levels of non-volatile residues.

## Validation

PNC cartridges are validated using test procedures that comply with the intent of both ASTM F 838-05 and HIMA protocols for the determination of bacterial retention in filters used for liquid filtration. The challenge level is 10<sup>7</sup> organisms per cm<sup>2</sup> of filter media: 0.22 µm challenged with *Brevundimonas diminuta*; 0.45 µm challenged with *Serratia marcescens*; 0.65 µm challenged with *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*.

## Flow Rate

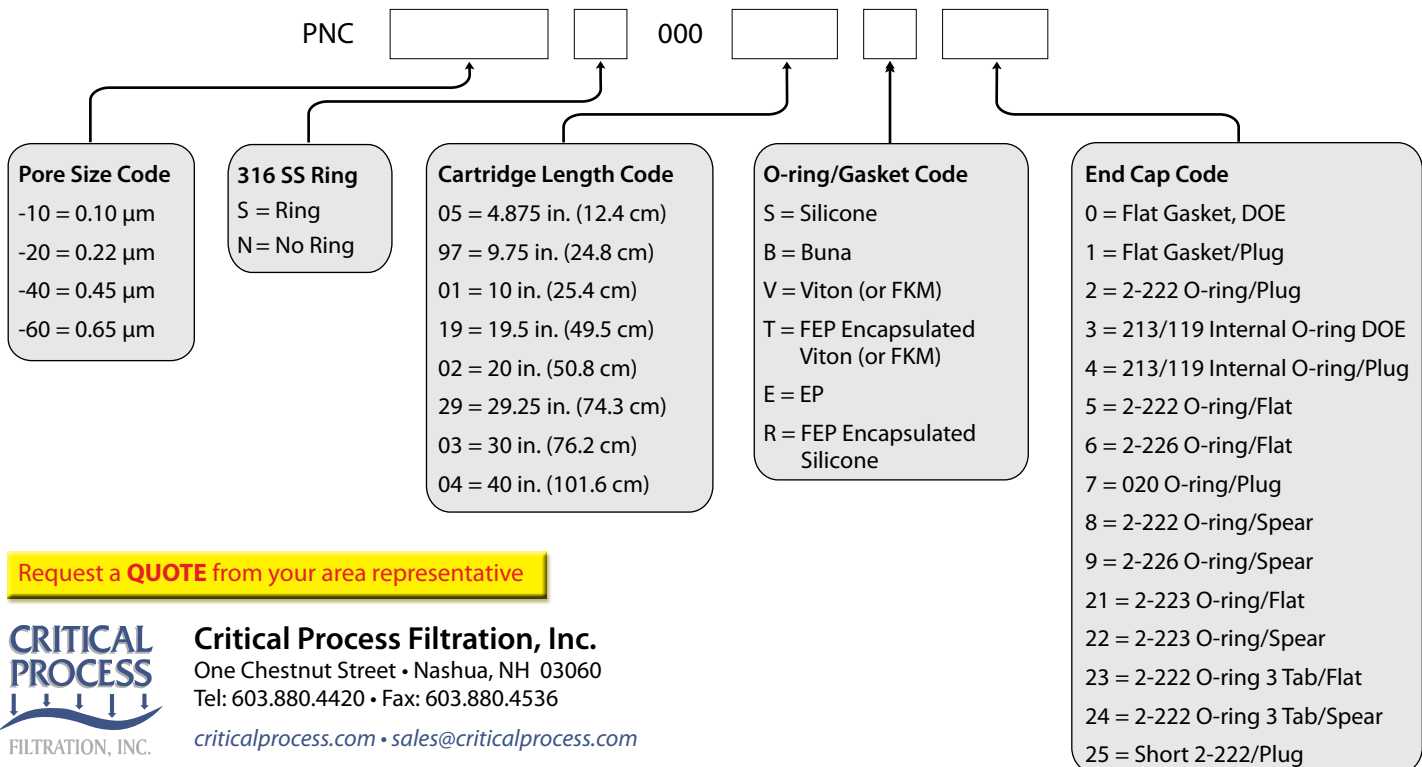
The Typical Flow Rates table represents typical water flow at a 1 psid (69 mbard) pressure differential across a single 10 in. cartridge element. The test fluid is water at ambient temperature. Extrapolation for housings with multiple elements and higher pressure drops is acceptable, but as flows increase the pressure drop of the housing becomes more apparent.

### Typical Flow Rates

Pore Size	0.10 µm	0.22 µm	0.45 µm	0.65 µm
GPM	1.0	1.25	3.0	5.5
LPM	3.79	4.73	11.36	20.82

## Ordering Information

Cartridge order numbers have several variables from pore size to end cap type. For example, Pharmaceutical Grade, Positively Charged Nylon 6,6 Membrane, 0.22 Micron Rating, With SS Support Ring, 20" Length, Silicone O-Rings, 2-226 O-Ring/Spear End Cap Configuration = PNC-20S00002S9.



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