

# **Operation procedures**

# 81050 Hobby reverse osmosis

# Read user manual completely before using your reverse osmosis.

### **Concentration procedure**

- 1) Close all drain valves from V2 to V4.
- 2) Install strainer housing at pressure feed pump inlet.
- 3) Install prefilter housing. It is recommended to use a fresh cartridge for maple sap process. Tighten drain cap under filter housing.
- 4) Open wide concentration control valve V1.
- 5) Connect RO to 110 power outlet.
- 6) Insert blue suction line into maple sap tank.
- 7) Insert permeate and concentrate hose in their respective tanks.
- 8) Start reverse osmosis with the interruptor. Verify if water goes to the pump after few seconds, if not, stop the pump.
- 9) Gradually close V1 concentration valve until complete closure of the valve. Take a minimum of 10 seconds for closing the valve to gradually increase pressure in the system. Closing too fast could damage the system.
- 10) Periodically monitor operating parameters.
- 11) Once concentration process is final, gradually lower pressure by opening concentration valve and stop reverse osmosis.

\*Warning, it is not recommended to run RO until sap runs out. Feed pumps may be damaged when running dry

\*concentration of maple sap at higher level than 8 brix is not recommended.

#### **Unsugaring procedure**

- 1) Insert RO feed and permeate hose in the permeate tank, concentrate hose remains in the concentrate tank.
- 2) Start RO to begin unsugaring of the system (See step 8 of concentration cycle).
- 3) Take concentrate samples at regular intervals until sugar concentration is at 0.5 brix.
- 4) Stop RO

#### **Rinsing procedure**

- 1) Insert RO feed hose in permeate tank. Insert permeate and concentrate hose to drain.
- 2) Start RO (See step 8 of concentration cycle). A minimum of 80 gal US/300L of filtrate must be use.
- 3) Stop the RO when minimum water quantity has been used.

## Wash procedure

- 1) Replace filter cartridge by a unit that will be only dedicated to wash procedure.
- 2) Insert concentrate and permeate hoses in a 5 US gallons bucket.
- 3) Fill bucket with permeate ideally heated at 40°C and add the necessary amount of soap. Follow manufacturer recommendation.
- 4) Start RO (See step 8 of concentration cycle).
- 5) Leave RO running for 30 minutes.
- 6) Stop RO and rinse.

#### Shutdown procedure

- 1) Loosen drain cap from filter housing. Remove filter cartridge from housing.
- 2) Open all drain and concentration valves from V1 to V4.
- 3) Disconnect suction hose and drain water out of it.
- 4) Unfasten and drain strainer housing at pressure pump inlet. Leave it off.
- 5) Start RO for <u>2 seconds.</u> This operation will allow to flush residual water from the pump.
- 6) Repeat step 5 twice at 10 seconds intervals.
- 7) Disconnect electrical plug.

### **Operating cycles**

