# Disinfection



## Disinfection in Horticulture Hygiene in all cropping systems

- » Disinfectant for horticulture with the required GBM approval
- » Kills bacteria, fungi, viruses and viroid
- Also effective against resting spores
- Stabile solution
- » Long effectiveness
- » Measurable effectiveness
- » Harmless for materials
- » Neutral odour
- » Environmentally friendly
- » Long shelf life



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## Product characteristics



Active ingredient: Formulation: Mode of action:

benzoic acid (90 g/l) soluble concentrate contact Application method: (foam) spraying, pouring, dipping, brushing

#### Packaging units::

MENNO<sup>®</sup> florades are available in packs of 10, 200 and 1.000 litres.

#### **Background information Benzoic acid:**

Benzoic acid is a naturally occurring component in many fruits and vegetables. It is being used as a food additive to prevent the growth of yeasts, bacteria and fungi. (for example, in jam, beer, dessert sauce, fruit juice, peanut butter, syrup, mustard, mayonnaise etc.) Benzoic acid is also part of cosmetics and medicinal crèmes.

#### Hygiene management

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#### Application: effective disinfection of



With MENNO<sup>®</sup> florades effective disinfection can be carried out:

- empty glasshouses and warehouses
- plant containers
- pots, trays, crates
- concrete floors
- plant nursery boxes
- transport and harvest trolleys (incl. wheels)
- machines
- tools, knives »
- cultivation tables
- gloves »
- shoes (hygiene stations & disinfection mats) »
- irrigation mats »
- irrigation systems (exterior) »
- Virus-free preparation of cuttings »

#### Approval

MENNO<sup>®</sup> Florades is approved as a crop protection product and therefore the only disinfectant effective against all bacteria, fungi (incl. resting spores), viruses and viroid. The active ingredient is Benzoic acid.

#### Dosage

The effectiveness of a disinfectant is dependent on the dosage in combination with exposure time. Assuming the surface is clean, a concentration of 2-4% is advised.

#### **Exposure time**

The dosage and exposure time are inextricably linked. The higher the concentration, the shorter the exposure time required. At a maximum concentration of 4% this is for the most persistent pathogens maximum one hour. Some fungi are already killed after a few minutes, but more time is needed for more persistent diseases. Because disinfection is not a selective, the goal must always be to kill all pathogens effectively. Therefore, we always recommend that you keep the contact time as long as possible. The longer the surface is wet, the better all organisms are killed. Especially the killing of





remaining traces and viruses takes a lot of time. Resting spores are the generative form of fungi and often very persistent. They can still lead to an outbreak of a disease after years. MENNO<sup>®</sup> florades offers the possibility of foaming. This to achieve a longer exposure time and gives a good visual check of which parts have been treated.

#### **Stability**

One of the most important properties of MENNO<sup>®</sup> florades is the stability of both the product and the solution. Unlike other disinfection products, benzoic acid is stable over a long period of time, which enables control of even the most resistant resting spores. This has been demonstrated in various research projects.

#### Amount of water

Water is a carrier, it enables the active ingredient to be in contact with the infectious agent. That's why it is recommended to always use a high-volume spray technique when applying disinfectant products.

### An indication of the amount of water that should be used with different applications

cultivation tables (ebb-/flow): 0.2 L/m²cultivation tables with irrigation mats: 2 L/m²glasshouse structures, machinery: 0.6 - 0.8 L/m²empty greenhouses, glasshouses: 2500-3000 L/ha

#### Measurable effectiveness

The effectiveness of the product can easily be measured based on the pH value of the solution. At a pH value between 3.0 -4.5 the solution is active. This can easily be checked with pH indicator paper or a pH meter. The pH automatically reaches the correct level (depending on the water quality) when preparing the solution. If the pH value is higher than 4.5 when the solution is reused several times, it can be lowered by adding MENNO<sup>®</sup> Florades. If the solution is soiled with large amounts of organic material, it is advisable to prepare a new solution.

#### **Operator protection**

Because the MENNO<sup>®</sup> Florades can be irritating to the eyes, always wear suitable protective clothing and face protection when applying the product.

#### **Tank mixes**

There is a wetting agent in the formulation of MENNO® Florades therefore additional wetter are not required. It is not recommended to mix the product with crop protection products or biocides. Adding other acids to acidify the working solution is not necessary since the proper pH will set automatically when preparing the MENNO® Florades solution.

#### **General warning**

After disinfection of the greenhouse with MENNO® florades, it must dry thoroughly before plants enter the greenhouse. To rule out any risks, after heating up the greenhouse, always ventilate it well just before planting out. This is especially important in cucumber crops. (see also advice on the label). Avoid direct contact with the crop.

#### **Advice & information**

Use crop protection products safely. Read the label and product information before use.

For further information, please contact your advisor or the helpdesk of Royal Brinkman. Phone: +31 (0)174 - 44 61 00 or E-mail: info@royalbrinkman.com







### **Research and MENNO® Florades**

#### **Effectiveness:**

MENNO® Florades has proven its effect against most of the bacteria, fungi, viruses and viroid's causing problems in horticulture in various research projects. In many cases fungi contain generative and vegetative spores. The vegetative spores are in general relatively easy to control. MENNO® Florades is

also able to inactivate the generative spores (resting spores) due to its stability resulting in a long exposure time. By the inactivation of viruses, the strength of MENNO® Florades is hidden in the fact that both viruses with and without an outer shield are controlled.

Bacteria	<b>Fungi</b> (including their duration forms)	Viruses/Viroids
Acidovorax avenae ssp. cattlevae*1	Alternaria alternata*10	ArMV* <sup>2/22</sup> (arabis mosaic nepovirus)
grobacteriuma) rhizogenes *20	Alternaria solani*10	BePMV*7 (bell pepper mottle virus)
grobacteriuma) tumefaciens*1	Alternaria sp.*1	CarMoV*4 (carnation mottle carmovirus)
lavibacter michiganensis ssp. michiganensis*1/*17	Aspergillus sp.*6	CGMMV <sup>*18</sup> (cucumber green mottle mosaic virus)
lavibacter michiganensis ssp. sepedonicus*1	Botrytis cinerea*1/*17	CMV*4 (cucumber mosaic virus)
urtobacterium flaccumfaciens* <sup>21</sup>	Candida albicans*13	CSVd*7 (chrysanthemum stunt viroid)
ickeya solani*19		
nterococcus faecium*13	Cercospora beticola*10	CyMV*5/22 (cymbidium mosaic virus)
rwinia amylovora* <sup>3/*14</sup>	Chalara elegans*8	
rwiniab) carotovora ssp. atroseptica*1	Cladosporium fulvum*21	MNSV*7 (melon necrotic spot virus)
rwiniab) carotovora ssp. carotovora*1/*10	Colletotrichum coccodes*10	ORSV*5/22 (odontoglossum ringspot virus)
scherichia coli*13	Colletotrichum sp.*1	PepMV*7/*17/22 (pepino mosaic v.)
Pectobacterium carotovorum ssp. atroseptica*1	Cylindrocladium scoparium*1 Cylindrocladium spathiphylli*1	PFBV*2/22 (pelargonium flower break virus) PLCV*2/22 (pelargonium leaf curl tombusvirus)
Pectobacterium carotovorum ssp. carotovorum*1/*10 Proteus mirabilis*13	Cylindrocladium spathiphylli*1 Dactylium dendroides*1	PLCV* <sup>2/22</sup> (pelargonium leaf curl tombusvirus) PLPV* <sup>2/22</sup> (pelargonium line pattern virus)
Poteus mirabilis^-3 Pseudomonas aeruginosa* <sup>13</sup>	Dactytium denurondes	r Lr V (petargomum tine pattern virus)
Pseudomonas aerugmosa <sup>222</sup> Pseudomonas fluorescens marginaeis <sup>*16</sup>	Didymella bryoniae*17	PMMoV*7 (pepper mild mottle virus)
seudomonas lachrymans	Erysiphe cichoracearum* <sup>17</sup>	PSTVd*7 (potato spindle tuber viroid)
Pseudomonas putida	Fusarium spp.* <sup>17</sup>	PVX <sup>*4</sup> (potato virus X)
Pseudomonas solanacearum* 1	Fusarium oxysporum f.sp. cyclaminis*1/*12	PVY*4 (potato virus Y)
	rusurum oxysporum i.sp. cyclumins	RMV <sup>*4</sup> (ribgrass mosaic tobamovir.)
Pseudomonas syringae	Fusarium oxysporum (Stamm Elatiorbegonien)*1	TBRV <sup>*2</sup> (tomato blackring nepovirus)
Ralstonia solanacearum*1	Fusarium solani var. coeruleum*1	TMV <sup>*2/22</sup> (tabacco mosaic virus)
Rhizobium rhizogenes <sup>*20</sup>		ToBRV * <sup>22</sup> (tomato blackring nepovirus)
Staphylococcus aureus* 13	Helminthosporium solani *1/*10/*11	ToBRFV*23 (tomato brown rugose fruit virus)
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Xanthomonas campestris pv. campestris* 1	Mucor sp.* <sup>6</sup>	ToMV*17 (tomato mosaic virus)
	Ophiostoma quercus*1	TSWV*2/22 (tomato spotted wilt tospov.)
Xanthomonas campestris pv. pelargonii*1	Peronospora tabacina*8	ZyMV*7 (zucchini yellow mosaic virus)
	Phytium aphanidermatum*17	
	Pythium sp.*6	
	Phytium ultimum*10	
	Phytophthora cinnamomi*1	
	Phytophthora cryptogea*1	
	Phytophthora infestans*10/*11	
	Ramularia beticola*10	
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	Rhizoctonia solani <sup>*10</sup>	
	Rhizopus sp.*6	
	Streptomyces scabies*1	
	Taphrina deformans* <sup>15</sup> Thielaviopsis basicola*1	
	Trichoderma harzianum*9	
	Trichoderma viride*1	
	Verticillium fungicola*1/*9	

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