# Disinfection







## **Product characteristics**



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Active ingredient: benzoic acid (90 g/l) Formulation: soluble concentrate

Mode of action: contact

Application method: (foam) spraying, pouring, dipping,

brushing

#### **Packaging units::**

MENNO® 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.

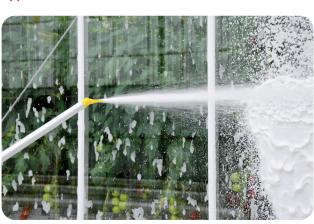
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#### Application: effective disinfection of



With MENNO® 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° 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® 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® 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

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{cultivation tables (ebb-/flow)} & : 0.2 \text{ L/m}^2 \\ \text{cultivation tables with irrigation mats} & : 2 \text{ L/m}^2 \\ \text{glasshouse structures, machinery} & : 0.6 \text{ - } 0.8 \text{ L/m}^2 \\ \text{empty greenhouses, glasshouses} & : 1500\text{-}2000 \text{ L/ha} \\ \end{array}$ 

#### 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\* 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\* 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.

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## 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.

#### Viruses/Viroids **Bacteria** Fungi (including their duration forms) ArMV\*2/22 (arabis mosaic nepovirus) Acidovorax avenae ssp. cattleyae\*1 Alternaria alternata\*10 BePMV\*7 (bell pepper mottle virus) Agrobacteriuma) rhizogenes \* Alternaria solani\*10 Agrobacteriuma) tumefaciens\*1 Alternaria sp.\*1 CarMoV\*4 (carnation mottle carmovirus) Clavibacter michiganensis ssp. michiganensis\*1/\*17 Aspergillus sp.\*6 CGMMV\*18 (cucumber green mottle mosaic virus) Clavibacter michiganensis ssp. sepedonicus\*1 Botrytis cinerea\*1/\*17 CMV\*4 (cucumber mosaic virus) Candida albicans\*13 Curtobacterium flaccumfaciens\*21 CSVd\*7 (chrysanthemum stunt viroid) Dickeya solani\*19 Enterococcus faecium\*13 Cercospora beticola\*10 CyMV\*5/22 (cymbidium mosaic virus) Erwinia amylovora\*3/\*14 Chalara elegans\*8 Erwiniab) carotovora ssp. atroseptica\*1 Cladosporium fulvum\*21 MNSV\*7 (melon necrotic spot virus) Erwiniab) carotovora ssp. carotovora\*1/\*10 Colletotrichum coccodes\*10 ORSV\*5/22 (odontoglossum ringspot virus) PepMV\*7/\*17 / 22 (pepino mosaic v.) Escherichia coli\*13 Colletotrichum sp.\*1 PFBV\*2/22 (pelargonium flower break virus) Pectobacterium carotovorum ssp. atroseptica\*1 Cylindrocladium scoparium\*1 Pectobacterium carotovorum ssp. carotovorum\*1/\*10 Cylindrocladium spathiphylli\*1 PLCV\*2/22 (pelargonium leaf curl tombusvirus) Proteus mirabilis\*13 Dactylium dendroides\*1 PLPV\*2/22 (pelargonium line pattern virus) Pseudomonas aeruginosa\*13 Pseudomonas fluorescens marginaeis\*16 Didymella bryoniae\*17 PMMoV\*7 (pepper mild mottle virus) Pseudomonas lachrymans Erysiphe cichoracearum\*17 PSTVd\*7 (potato spindle tuber viroid) PVX\*4 (potato virus X) Pseudomonas putida Fusarium spp.\*17 Pseudomonas solanacearum\* 1 Fusarium oxysporum f.sp. cyclaminis\*1/\*12 PVY\*4 (potato virus Y) RMV\*4 (ribgrass mosaic tobamovir.) Fusarium oxysporum (Stamm Elatiorbegonien)\*1 TBRV\*2 (tomato blackring nepovirus) Pseudomonas syringae TMV\*2/22 (tabacco mosaic virus) Ralstonia solanacearum\*1 Fusarium solani var. coeruleum\*1 ToBRV \*22 (tomato blackring nepovirus) Rhizobium rhizogenes\*20 Staphylococcus aureus\* 13 Helminthosporium solani \*1/\*10/\*11 ToBRFV\*23 (tomato brown rugose fruit virus) Xanth. camp. pv. begoniae\* 1 Xanthomonas campestris pv. campestris\* 1 Mucor sp.\* 6 ToMV\*17 (tomato mosaic virus) TSWV\*2/22 (tomato spotted wilt tospov.) Ophiostoma quercus\*1 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 Rhizoctonia solani\*10 Rhizopus sp.\*6 Streptomyces scabies\*1 Taphrina deformans\*15 Thielaviopsis basicola\*1 Trichoderma harzianum\*9 Trichoderma viride\*1 Verticillium fungicola\*1/\*9

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