



Fluorescent Visual Dye Tablets

TECHNICAL DATA BULLETIN

Bright Dyes Yellow/Green products are specially formulated versions of Xanthene dye, certified by NSF International to ANSI/NSF Standard 60 for use in drinking water. This dye is the traditional fluorescent water tracing and leak detection material and has been used for labeling studies from the beginning of the century. It may be detected visually, by UV light and by appropriate fluoremetric equipment. Today it is most often used visually. This dye has been used by the military to mark downed pilots for search and rescue operations over large water bodies. Visually the dye appears yellow/green, depending on its concentration and under UV light as lime green.

Based on biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) studies, the dye is biodegradable with 65% of the available oxygen consumed in 7 days. The dye is resistant to absorption on most suspended matter in fresh and salt water. However, compared to Bright Dyes FWT Red products it is significantly less resistant to degradation by sunlight and when used in fluoremetry, stands out much less clearly against background fluorescence. As always the suitability of these products for any specific application should be evaluated by a qualified hydrologist or other industry professional. Store product out of sunlight, in a cool and dry location. Shelf life is 4 years from date of purchase.

General Properties	Tablets	Liquids	Powders
Detectability of active ingredient ¹	Visual <100 ppb	Visual <100 ppb	Visual <100 ppb
Maximum absorbance wavelength ²	490/520 nm	490/520 nm	490/520 nm
Appearance	Orange convex 1.6cm diameter	Reddish, brown aqueous solution	Orange fine powder
NSF (Max use level in potable water)	6.0 ppb	10.0 ppb	1.0 ppb
Weight	1.35 gms ± 0.05		
Dissolution Time ³	50% < 3 minutes 95% < 6 minutes		50% < 3 minutes 95% < 6 minutes
Specific Gravity		1.05 ± 0.05 @ 25 C	
Viscosity ⁴		1.8 cps	
pH		8.5 ± 0.5 @ 25 C	

Coverage of Products	One Tablet	One Pint Liquid	One Pound Powder
Light Visual	605 gallons	125,000 gallons	1,200,000 gallons
Strong Visual	60 gallons	12,500 gallons	120,000 gallons

Caution: These products may cause irritation and/or staining if allowed to come in contact with the skin. The use of gloves and goggles is recommended when handling this product, as with any other dye or chemical.

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¹ In deionized water in 100 ml flask. Actual detectability and coverage in the field will vary with specific water conditions.

² No significant change in fluorescence between 6 and 11 pH.

³ (One tablet, 1 gram of powder), in flowing deionized water in a 10 gallon tank.

⁴ Measured on a Brookfield viscometer, Model LV, UL adapter, 60 rpm @ 25 C.