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| C75 Dogleg Chemistry & Degreasing | | | |
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# Purpose and Scope

**PURPOSE**: To remove all impurities from surface of dogleg (interior and exterior). This procedure will be utilized several times throughout the processing of doglegs in preparation for pair assembly. Each section of the procedure may be used individually depending on the process needed.

**SAFETY:**

Individuals must keep safety as the first priority in the process; before beginning any job, the user must assure they have the correct PPE for the individual job. Maintaining the level of safety and secure nature of the work area is paramount. Assure personal safety by using caution in movement and taking necessary steps to avoid unnecessary personnel in the immediate area.

Refer to the work-center OSP for specifics.

# References

[SRF-19-83800-OSP](https://mis.jlab.org/mis/apps/mis_forms/operational_safety_procedure_form.cfm?entry_id=83800) - OSP for Safe Operations in the Production Chemistry Room

[CP-STP-CAV-CHEM-ACID](https://jlabdoc.jlab.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-141848/CP-STP-CAV-CHEM-ACID-R1.pdf) – Standard Acid Etching at the Chemical Fume Hood Procedure

[CP-STP-CAV-CHEM-DEGR](https://jlabdoc.jlab.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-132364/CP-STP-CAV-CHEM-DEGR-R3.pdf) - Standard Cavity, Components, or Parts Degreasing Procedure

[Alconox User’s Manual](https://jlabdoc.jlab.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-73545/Alconox-UserManual.pdf)- User’s manual for Alconox detergents

# Terms and Definitions

* **DI/UPW**: Deionized (DI) and Ultra-Pure Water (UPW) are used interchangeably in this procedure and may also be referred to as simply water.
* **Ultrasonic, USC, and sonic:** are used interchangeably in this procedure. The container or tank may also be referred to as a bath.
* **N2 / Nitrogen:** filtered nitrogen is most commonly used.
* **Quick Dump Rinser (QDR):** Also called the triple rinser. A sink that fills and empties water to rinse components several times.
* **PI/PM/SOTR:** Principal Investigator, Project Manager, Subcontracting Officer Technical Representative. Someone otherwise in charge of the project or item in question. A supervisor may also be utilized if needed.

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| * **Items used in this procedure:** | | | |
| **Chemicals** | **Detergents:** | **Solvents:** | **Wipers:** |
| BCP 1:1:1 | Micro90 | Acetone, Clean Room Quality Isopropyl (Isopropanol) | TX1009B Alpha Wipes, TX2009 Beta Wipes |

# Process Details

**NOTE**: Dogleg flanges are easily damaged and care should be taken throughout this procedure to ensure the flanges are not marred. This is especially important after the thread inserts have been installed into the large flange to prevent re-work and lost time.

## Pre-Cleaning

1. Ensure the workspace is clean and tidy.
2. Don appropriate PPE.
   1. Gloves should be worn whenever handling items and changed after cleaning and as needed to maintain cleanliness.
3. Inspect dogleg for excessive damage (chips/scratches).
   1. If part has pre-existing impairment notify PI/PM.
   2. Do not clean verified through written acknowledgement of previous damage presence.
4. Use only pre-approved detergents and solvents.
5. When using the smaller sonics in the hoods in 1043, the water must be filled to a minimum of 5 inches to prevent the motors from overheating. Failure to do so can cause permanent damage to the USC.
6. The item(s) must be completely submerged for proper ultrasonic cleaning action. Ensure there are no trapped air pockets under or within the item in the USC.
7. To prevent excessive exposure to particulate in air, the technician is to perform all actions within the laminar flow hood (when possible).
8. If the dogleg appears excessively soiled or greasy, or has recently been lapped, perform the following:
   1. Wipe all oil and marker off with acetone.
   2. Measure a small amount of Micro90 into a small container (~4 oz.).
   3. Use a TX 1009B Alpha Wipe to apply detergent directly to the component’s exterior and/or interior.
      1. NOTE: take care not to scratch the interior.
      2. Additional wipers, brushes or other means may be necessary to pre-clean heavily soiled components.
      3. Use slim brush saturated in mixture to gently clean interior.
   4. Use a Texwipe clean room foam tip swab to clean the inside of the bolt holes.
      1. Do NOT use a cotton tip swab as these leave fibers.
   5. Thoroughly rinse component with DI water.
   6. Repeat until heavy soil, oil, etc. has been removed.

## Ultrasonic Cleaning

1. Close drain system of USC.
2. Fill USC with at least 5” or enough DI water to completely submerge the dogleg (part needs to be completely submerged for USC cleaning to successfully be performed).
3. Place a USC compatible plastic sheet or similar item on the floor of the sonic to protect the dogleg.
4. Place dogleg in ultrasonic.
   1. Avoid putting more than one dogleg in each USC.
      1. If necessary, user can put two doglegs per basin if the appropriate room and measures can be taken to insure proper cleaning perimeters are met AND that doglegs are not damaged.
   2. Set dogleg on an angle to ensure the particulate shaken loose by the USC will not settle on the interior. Use dogleg stands if necessary.
   3. Tilt the dogleg several directions underwater to remove any trapped air.
5. Add 1-2% Micro90 detergent to the USC tank.
   1. About 300 ml (small USC) or 600 ml (large USC).
   2. Micro90 or a basic pH detergent must be used after acid etching to ensure any residual acid is completely neutralized.
6. Turn on USC and allow the component(s) to clean for 50 minutes.
   1. This time may be adjusted if the water was preheated.
   2. The UPW/detergent temperature shall be at least 130°F (54°C) for a minimum of 15 minutes.
7. Prepare a HDPE (or solvent compatible) container large enough to comfortably fit a dogleg and fill it with enough isopropyl to cover at least half a dogleg.
   1. Usually 1-2 bottles.
   2. See Chem Room OSP for additional PPE requirements.
8. Turn off the USC and heater.
9. After USC cleaning, the dogleg needs to be rinsed thoroughly and then dried.

**NOTE**: Doglegs are a special case in which each one needs to be addressed individually. Do not begin rinsing/drying one dogleg until the previous one is completely finished with BOTH processes:

* 1. Rinse each dogleg individually by:
     1. Transferring it to the “rinse only” wet bench.
     2. Thoroughly rinse both the interior and exterior with DI water hose.
        1. A large container may be used to submerge the dogleg and run water continuously over the dogleg.
     3. Use the DI Water squirt bottle to rinse each bolt hole on the large flange surface.
        1. Do not touch the flange surface as this may result in damage.
     4. Agitate in first rinse basin 3 times.
     5. Agitate in second rinse basin 3 times.
     6. Agitate in third rinse basin 3 times.
     7. Rinse again with DI water hose.
     8. Tilt dogleg to remove any trapped water.
  2. Dry each dogleg individually **IMMEDIATELY** after rinsing it:
     1. Place the dogleg in the container of isopropyl.
        1. Agitate or use a small container to pour isopropyl over the dogleg to ensure all areas are covered in isopropyl.
        2. Allow the dogleg to soak in the isopropyl if necessary to thoroughly penetrate the blind holes.
        3. Use the isopropyl squirt bottle to rinse each bolt hole on the large flange surface.
     2. Carefully remove the dogleg from the container and transfer to a cart near a filtered nitrogen (N2) gun.
        1. Place a wiper or other barrier on the cart to prevent metal to metal contact.
     3. Dry the dogleg using the nitrogen (N2) gun.

**NOTE**: Hearing protection may be worn as the noise can be excessive.

* + 1. Make sure to dry all orifices out completely. Change the dogleg’s position as necessary to reach all interior/exterior areas where moisture may remain.
    2. Examine each part (focusing on the flanges) for water spots or other blemishes.
    3. If water spots are found remove them with a few drops of DI water and isopropyl on a TX 1009 AlphaWipe, then proceed with the drying process.
    4. Painstakingly inspect dogleg for any water, stains, or damage prior to moving onto the next dogleg for rinsing/drying.

1. Place the dogleg on a wipe in the laminar flow hood to continue drying.
2. Bag the dogleg once all processes are complete, and the dogleg is assuredly clean and dry.
   1. Only bag if the dogleg is COMPLETELY dry and no stains appear on surface.
   2. Place the dogleg in its own bag.
   3. Seal opposite end of bag with sealing machine.
   4. Cover both flange faces with the appropriately sized protective cover
   5. Alternatively, if bagging is not necessary, cover flanges with Alpha Wipes and protective covers.
3. Proceed to the next work center or step.
   1. Doglegs may be placed in an appropriately sized container to protect the flanges in transport.

## Acid Etching

### Preparation

1. Refer to the acid etching procedure [CP-STP-CAV-CHEM-ACID](https://jlabdoc.jlab.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-141848/CP-STP-CAV-CHEM-ACID-R1.pdf) for guidance on mixing and acid etching with BCP.
2. Refer to the Chem Room OSP for guidance on PPE and a pre-acid work and inspection checklist.

**NOTE**: Doglegs may be etched in two ways depending on if the threaded inserts have been installed in the large flange. Once inserts are installed, the dogleg cannot be submerged in acid and the threaded inserts will trap acid and can harm others, only Q-tipping the flange is allowed once inserts have been installed.

1. Prepare the workspace.
   1. Ensure the hood is clean and all systems are functional per the Chem Room OSP.
   2. Gather necessary supplies:
      1. Two HDPE containers large enough to submerge a dogleg.
         1. One for acid and one for water.
      2. If Q-tipping, a small container for acid and a container with either Micro90 or sodium bicarbonate to neutralize the acid and acid compatible Q-tips.
      3. Optional: a basket to hold the dogleg.
         1. If using, doglegs should be placed in the basket at the position most optimum for air to escape while etching.
   3. Prepare a USC bath for post-acid cleaning.

### Acid Etching

1. Don appropriate PPE.
2. Measure the etch rate of BCP 1:1:1, and if less than 5µ (micron) per min. make fresh BCP 1:1:1.
   1. NOTE fresh BCP 1:1:1 yields an average etch rate of ~7-8µ per/min at 20°C.
   2. When etching multiple parts, keep track of the acid temperature.
      1. If the temperature exceeds 25°C, cease all work. Either:
         1. Return the acid to a storage container and allow for enough time to pass for the acid temperature to drop.
         2. Create an ice water bath around the acid container to maintain a lower temperature.
3. The acid etching process for doglegs is twofold.
   1. DO NOT begin the process with one dogleg until the previous one is completely done.
4. Pour enough BCP 1:1:1 into acid container to completely cover part.
   1. Make sure to factor in the liquid displacement of basket/part being submerged.
   2. Unnecessary acid spills will be avoided by taking this step.
5. Acid etch dogleg:

**NOTE**: Only submerge the dogleg in acid before the threaded inserts have been installed. Once installed, only Q-tip around the bolt holes.

* 1. Set timer for 2 minutes.
  2. Slowly submerge dogleg in BCP.
     1. This may be done carefully by hand or using a basket.
  3. Agitate the dogleg back and forth so the BCP can flow in and out of the interior of dogleg and eliminate trapped air pockets.
  4. Continue process until timer denotes the 2 minute period is over.
  5. Remove the dogleg from the acid and drain excess BCP from component before rinsing

1. Q-tips may be used to acid etch only the flange.
   1. Dip the Q-tip in BCP and carefully cover the flange around the bolt holes with acid.
      1. If the acid starts smoking excessively, rinse with water and restart where you left off.
      2. Do not allow acid into the threaded bolt holes.
   2. Place used Q-tips in the neutralization container.
2. Submerge the acid etched dogleg thoroughly in the prepared DI water container.
   1. Rinse with the DI water hose.
   2. Use the DI water squirt bottle on the blind holes on the large flange.
   3. and dry holes with N2 gun to ensure no acid remains in holes, *optional* if doing so take heed to use proper ear PPE as the noise can be excessive. REPEAT THIS STEP three times.
   4. Place into the Quick Dump Rinser tank in the acid hood and allow to run for at least 10 minutes to ensure any trapped acid is diluted.
3. Cleanup workspace and return acid hood to prior use condition.
4. Remove PPE, replace with fresh pair of nitrile gloves.
5. Inspect and dry flanges with N2 to insure no stains or blemishes remain.
   1. If necessary, repeat any of the procedure to attain desired level of surface perfection.
6. Proceed to Section 4.2 to clean the dogleg and ensure any residual acid is neutralized.

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