Chemical resistance of plastics

Since many of Howard's components are made of plastic materials, their resistance against chemical products may be limited or even nil. Consult this list before using aggressive detergents, disinfectants or installing the luminaire in chemical hazardous areas (as cars washes, swimming pools, industrial kitchens, industrial laundries, slaughterhouses, livestock containment facilities, etc ...) or in case of doubt, please contact us. For these conditions, appropriate products (like stainless steel latches, etc...) are available.

CHEMICAL	ACRYLIC	POLYCARBONATE	FIBERGLASS
ACIDS (Weak up to 10 %):	+/-	+	+
ACIDS			
Acetic (max 30%)	_	+/-	+
Hydrochloric (max 20%)	+	+/-	+/-
Nitric (max 20%)	+/-	+/-	+/-
Sulphuric (max 50%)	+/-	+/-	-
Phosphoric	_	+/-	-
Hydrobomic	_		_
	-	-	-
Accumulator Acid	+/-	+/-	+/-
BASES (Weak)			
Ammonia (max 25%)	+/-	-	+
BASES (Concentrated)			
Ammonia (may E0%)	./		
Ammonia (max 50%)	+/-	-	+/-
Sodium Hydroide	+/-	-	-
SALT SOLUTIONS			
Common Salt	Ŧ	+/-	T
	+		+
Metal Salt	+	+/-	+
Soda	+	+/-	+
HYDROCARBONS			
Aliphatic	+/-		+/-
	+/-	+	
Aromatic	-	-	+/-
Parafins	+	+	+
Carbon Dioxide, Carbon Monoxide	+	+	+
Ethyl Acetate	_	_	_
		_	
Pyridine	-	-	-
CHLORIDE HYDROCARBONS			
Carbon Tetrachloride	-	-	+/-
Trichlorethylene			
	-	-	-
Methylene Chloride	-	-	-
ALCOHOLS			
Up to 30 %	+/-	+/-	
	+/-	+/-	+
Concentrated	-	-	+/-
Methanol, Ethanol, Phenol	-	-	+/-
ETHERS			
Ether	+/-	_	+/-
		-	
Petroleum Ether	+	+/-	+/-
AROMATIC HYDROCARBONS			
Aniline	+/-	-	+/-
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Benzene and derivates	-	-	-
Hydrogen Peroxide	+/-	+/-	-
Xylene	-	-	-
OILS and FATS			
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Petrol, Kerosine	+/-	+/-	+
Mineral oil	-	+/-	+
Vegetable oils (hot)	+	-	+
Cooking fats (hot)	+	-	+
HYDROCARBONS	-	-	-
Chloroform			

+ = Resistant • +/- = Limited resistant • - = Not resistant

*: In case of limited resistance to corrosion (+1-) the use of Polycarbonate clips is not suggested. We advise the use of stainless steel latches if there is any uncertainty.



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