

HIGH CYCLES, ZERO SCALE, STABLE SYSTEMS.



The Right Solution for Evaporative Humidification Systems



THE CHALLENGE

Up to 6 cycles of concentration create high hardness, scaling, biofouling and corrosion risks.



THE GOAL

Protect equipment, pads and nozzles while maintaining efficient operation.



THE SOLUTION

Watch Water SCB system with proven scale, corrosion and biofilm control.

WHAT HAPPENS AT 6 CYCLES OF CONCENTRATION?

- Ca²⁺/Mg²⁺** Very high hardness supersaturation increases the risk of calcium carbonate scale on pads, nozzles and heat transfer surfaces.
- Fouling & Biofilm Formation** Organic matter and nutrients promote biofilm, slime and foul odors.
- Corrosion Risk** High TDS and biofilm accelerate corrosion of metal components.
- Reduced Efficiency** Scaling and fouling reduce airflow, evaporation efficiency and increase energy consumption.

CAN SP3 HANDLE 6 CYCLES?

YES – BUT WITH CONDITIONS

SP3 uses NAC (Nucleation Assisted Crystallization) to convert hardness into non-adherent aragonite microcrystals, preventing scale formation.

✓ SP3 WILL

- Prevent hard scale adhesion
- Keep heat transfer surfaces clean
- Reduce fouling significantly
- Work effectively up to high cycles of concentration

✗ SP3 WILL NOT

- Remove hardness
- Reduce TDS build-up
- Prevent suspended solids accumulation

At 6 cycles, suspended crystals and pad fouling risk still increase without proper system management.

SHOULD THEY USE SCB INSTEAD OF SP3?

YES – SCB IS THE RECOMMENDED SOLUTION

Evaporative systems need more than just scale control. SCB provides complete protection for high cycles.

SCALE CONTROL
SP3 technology prevents scale adhesion and keeps surfaces clean.

CORROSION CONTROL
Protects metals from corrosion in high TDS and chloride environments.

BIOFILM CONTROL
Prevents biofilm, slime and bacteria growth in pads, basin and distribution lines.

★ At 6 cycles, SCB ensures complete system stability, maximum efficiency and reliable operation.

EVALUATING OTHER OPTIONS

OPTION	PROS	CONS	RECOMMENDATION
IX (Ion Exchange)	Removes hardness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adds sodium Increases TDS High operating cost Not ideal for evaporative use 	✗ Not Recommended
RO (Reverse Osmosis)	Removes dissolved solids	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High water rejection Expensive Overengineering for this application 	— Not Recommended as Primary Solution
UF (Ultrafiltration)	Removes particles and some organics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does NOT remove hardness Does not prevent scale 	— Support Only
NF (Nanofiltration)	Partial hardness reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expensive Not necessary for most HVAC systems 	— Possible but Usually Not Needed
Settling / Side-Stream Filtration	Removes suspended crystals and debris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional equipment Needs regular maintenance 	✓ Strongly Recommended (with SCB)

RECOMMENDED SOLUTIONS

OPTION A
BEST BALANCE

SCB System (Primary)
+ Optional Side-Stream Filtration (Crystolite®)

No scale adhesion
Controlled biofilm
Stable at high cycles

OPTION B
HIGH PERFORMANCE

SCB System
+ Side-Stream Filtration
+ Blowdown Optimization

Maximum protection
Cleaner system
Longer equipment life

OPTION C
IF "CLEAN WATER" IS REQUIRED

SCB or SP3 Pre-Treatment
+ Low-Recovery RO (Partial Stream Only)

For special applications only (e.g. pharma, semiconductor and air)

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- At 6 cycles, scaling, corrosion and biofouling risks are severe.
- SP3 prevents scale, but SCB delivers complete system protection.
- IX and RO are not ideal primary solutions for evaporative systems.
- Side-stream filtration enhances performance by removing SP3-generated crystals and particles.
- SCB + good water management = reliable, efficient, and maintenance-free operation.



PROTECT YOUR SYSTEM. MAXIMIZE PERFORMANCE.

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