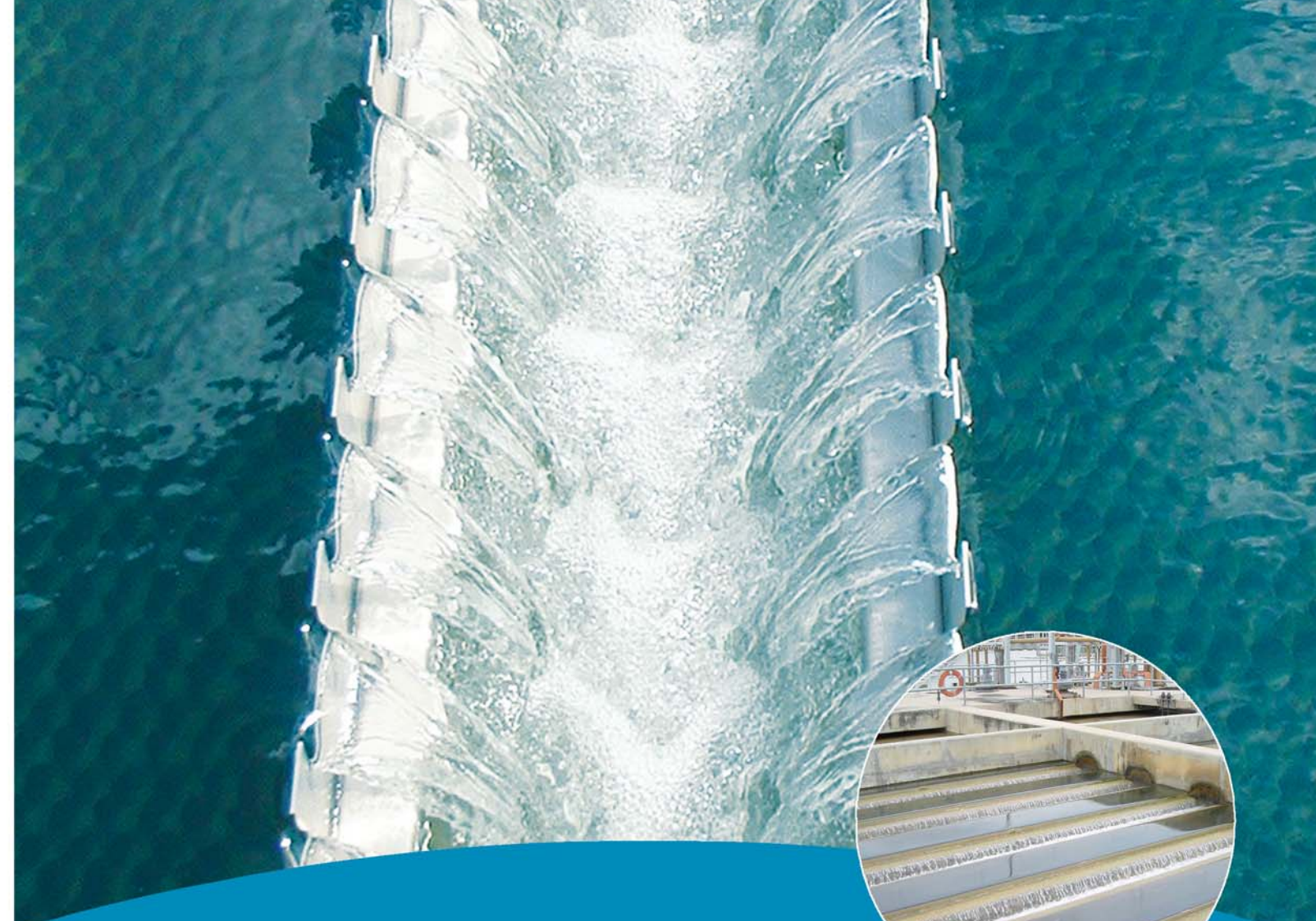


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ACTIFLO® The ultimate clarifier

Coagulation, ballasted flocculation
and settling for:

- drinking water
- process water
- wastewater



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Ballasted clarification for a very high rate and compact process

Actiflo® is a **compact process** that operates with **microsand** (Actisand™) as a seed for **floc formation**. Actisand™ provides surface area that enhances flocculation and also acts as a ballast or weight to aid a rapid settlement.

Actiflo® is recommended for:

- > **surface water** clarification,
- > **industrial process water** production,
- > **wastewater** treatment,
- > **storm flow water** settlement.

Actiflo®: compactness displaying its true potential

The microsand ballasted flocs display **unique settling characteristics**, which allow for clarifier designs with **very high overflow rates** and **short retention times**. These designs result in footprints that are 5 times smaller than classic lamella clarifier or dissolved air flotation (DAF) and **up to 20 times smaller than conventional clarification systems**.

MAJOR PROCESS BENEFITS

- **High treatment efficiency;** removal rate of turbidity > 90%
- **Very small footprint** compared to conventional clarifiers; suited for restricted spaces and easy retrofit of existing plants
- **Reduced civil engineering**
- **Flexible:** reacts quickly to changing raw water quality; provides **consistently high quality effluent**
- **Very short start-up time** < 10 minutes
- The sludge produced can be thickened and dewatered easily
- Can be entirely automated and remotely controlled
- **Minimum equipment to maintain,** all easily accessible
- **15 years of operating experience** with more than 300 Actiflo® references worldwide
- Prefabricated **package plants** (1 000 to 10 000 m³/d per unit) which can be **combined for larger flow rates**

Actiflo®: rapid, flexible and performant

Actiflo® is a very high-rate clarifier **exclusively developed and patented** by Veolia Water Solutions & Technologies.

- In **drinking water** applications, its removal efficiency exceeds **90% for turbidity**, colour, algae or arsenic;
- In **wastewater** applications, it consistently produces high quality water, even in varying raw water conditions, with removal efficiency:
 - > higher than **90% for total suspended solids** (TSS), colloidal matter, total phosphorus, heavy metals and faecal coliforms,
 - > of **60% for BOD** and COD.

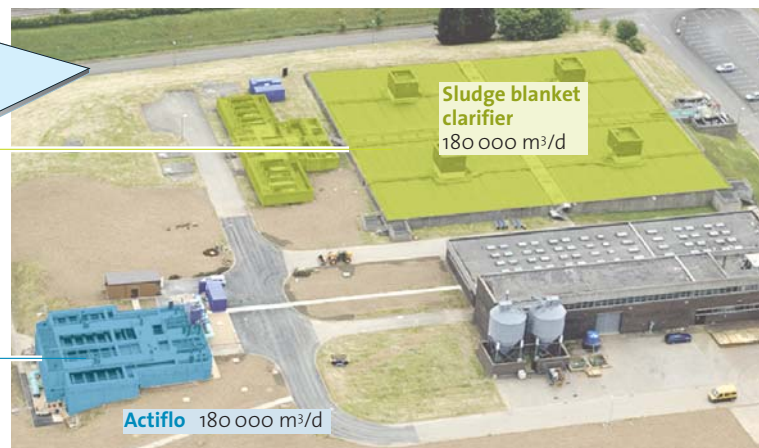
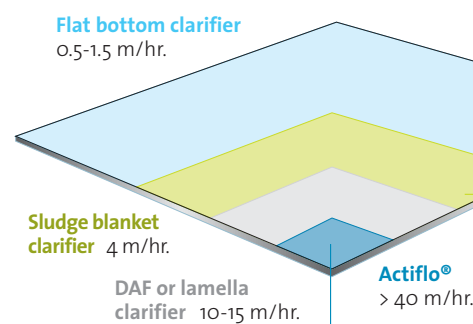
Depending on the application, the following upflow velocities are consistently achieved:

- > drinking water: **40-80 m/hr.**
- > process water: **50-100 m/hr.**
- > highly loaded industrial effluents or municipal wastewater: **50-100 m/hr.**
- > primary treatment of wastewater or storm flow treatment: **100-150 m/hr.**

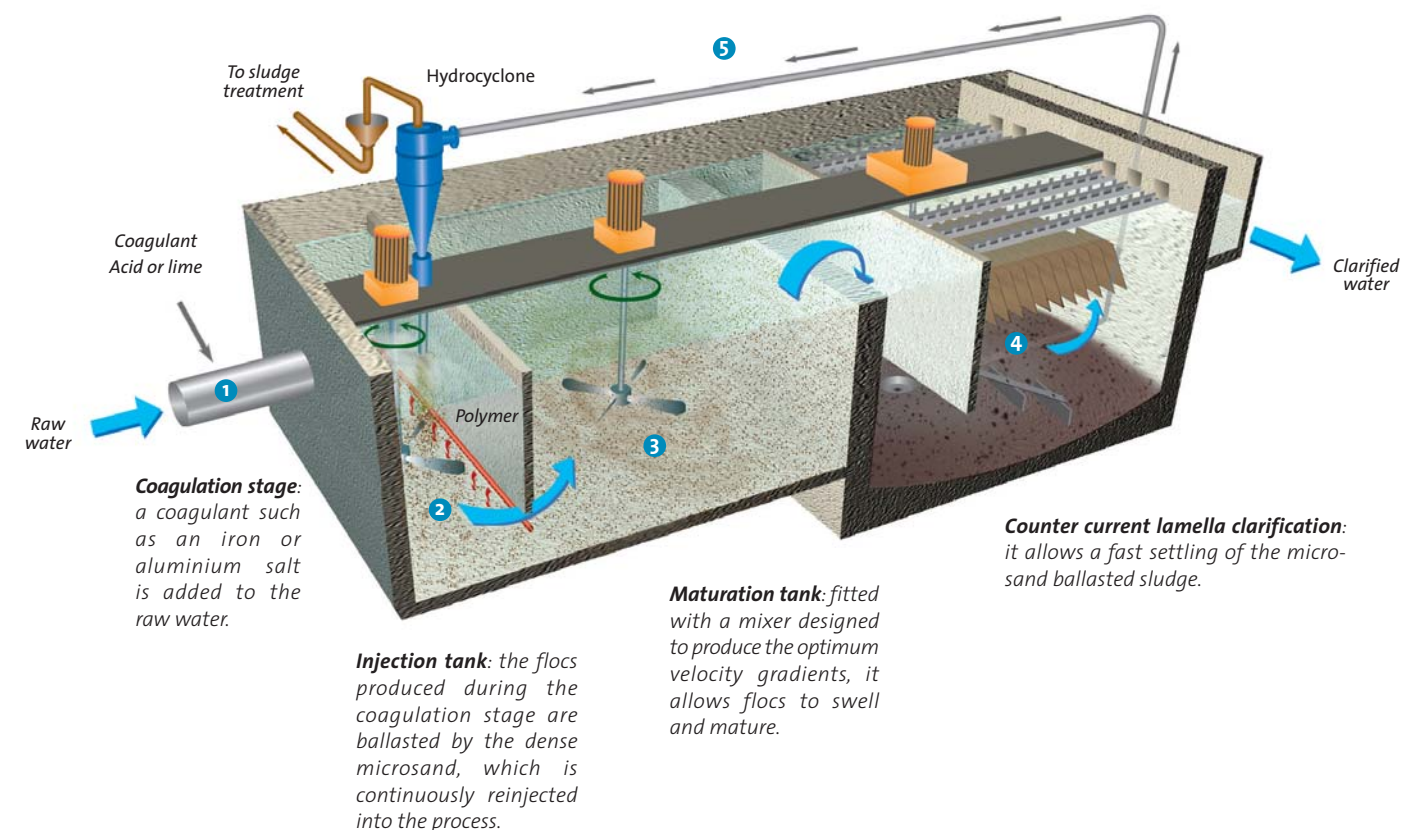
For applications requiring a **high turn down ratio**, Actiflo® can also operate with microsand recirculation at a high overflow rate and without microsand at a rise rate lower than 20 m/hr. The microsand is simply stored in the process at low flows until it is required again. In this configuration, Actiflo® then becomes a conventional lamella clarifier (Actiflo® Duo).

The Actiflo® process

Recirculation: the sludge is pumped to the hydrocyclone to be separated from the microsand. The clean microsand is returned into the injection tank to minimize loss; the sludge is continuously removed for further processing.



Overview of the Iver plant, London - Heathrow (United Kingdom). Clarification, interozonation and granular activated carbon filtration for drinking water production.



Actiflo®: a versatile range of uses

Drinking water

Actiflo® applies to both **surface and ground water** where improved performance and/or capital cost reduction is desired.

It is ideally suited for the treatment of:

- > **rapidly fluctuating** water sources,
- > **low temperature water** (1°C),
- > **reservoir water** with very low turbidity,
- > **sea or brackish water.**



Through the use of Actisand™, Actiflo® achieves **better performance than all existing clarification processes**, displaying consistent removal of:

- > turbidity, colour, total organic carbon (TOC),
- > algae, particle count, pathogens, cryptosporidium,
- > oxidised iron, manganese and arsenic...

Actiflo® is particularly efficient to remove **taste and odour** associated with algal bloom. It can also be used for the **recovery of backwash water from rapid gravity filter** thus reducing water loss and running costs.

Wastewater

Actiflo® can be used in most municipal applications:

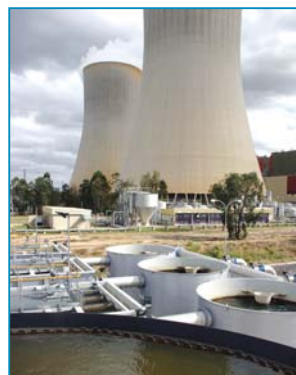
- > **primary settlement:** due to the mass of microsand constantly in the process, Actiflo® handles very swift raw water quality variations and rapid flow changes;
- > **treatment of biofilter backwash water:** due to its short residence time, the biological sludge is unlikely to go septic; it is therefore clarified extremely efficiently, with **superior levels of treatment compared to flotation**;
- > **clarification of trickling filter effluents**, in replacement of a conventional clarifier;

- > **storm water treatment** (combined sewer overflow): Actiflo® treats storm peak flows **as they occur**. In combination with UV disinfection (Actistar™), it delivers an effluent compliant with the most stringent bathing and shellfish water directives;
- > **tertiary polishing or phosphorus removal:** whether it is used for suspended solids, colour or phosphorus removal, Actiflo® meets or exceeds water quality standards with removal rates usually higher than 90%. **The same Actiflo® unit** applies to storm flow treatment in **peak flow** and to tertiary treatment in **dry flow conditions**, with a significant removal of hormones (endocrine perturbators) for the latter;
- > **water reuse** for crop irrigation or aquifer recharge, in combination with Discfilter and UV disinfection (Actidisc Plus™).

Industrial water and effluents

Actiflo® is an ideal solution for the **recycling of process water** and **pre-treatment of boiler feed or cooling tower make-up water**. Similarly it treats any type of **process water** as well as **most industrial effluents**.

- > **solids and colour removal:** prior to membrane treatment, reverse osmosis (Actimem™), or in combination with Discfilter (Actidisc™), to produce process water for the pulp and paper or food industry;
- > **removal of heavy metals** (lead, cadmium, zinc...) **and ashes** from power plant and steel mill effluents, or polishing treatment to remove suspended solids and associated pollutants;
- > **lime soda softening** (Actisoft™) for the production of demineralised water.



Outstanding capabilities

The data listed below are typical plant performances. Details can be provided upon request. Please ask your Veolia Water Solutions & Technologies representative for more information.

Performance for municipal and industrial wastewater applications

	Stormwater	Biofilter backwash Biological sludge	Primary settlement	Tertiary polishing
TSS	80-98%	75-99%	75-90%	50-80%
COD	65-90%	55-80%	55-80%	20-50%
Total phosphorus	50-95%	50-95%	50-95%	50-95%
Orthophosphate	50-98%	50-98%	50-98%	50-98%
Faecal coliforms (cells/ml)	1-1.5 log	1-1.5 log	1-1.5 log	1-1.5 log

Performance for process and drinking water applications

	Unit	Raw water (inlet value)	Actiflo® clarified (outlet value or removal)
Turbidity	NTU	0-2 000	0.2-2.0 ⁽¹⁾
TSS	mg/l	0-3 000	0.5-5.0
True colour	mg/l Pt/Co	0-350	0-10
TOC	mg/l	1-30	30-60%
Algae	cells/ml	0-100 000	90-99%
Chlorophyll A	µg/l	0-100	90-99%
Manganese	mg/l	0-2.5	60-95% ⁽²⁾
Arsenic	mg/l	0-2.0	50-90% ⁽²⁾
Iron	mg/l	0-5.0	60-98% ⁽³⁾
Particle count (2-15 µm)	unit/ml	< 2 x 10 ⁶	1.5-3.0 log
Faecal coliforms	cells/ml	0-10 ⁴	1.0-1.5 log
Bacteria	cells/ml, at 20°C	< 20 000	1.0-1.5 log

(1) if combined with sand filtration, filtered water typically < 0.5 NTU

(2) with pre-oxidation

(3) with pre-oxidation or aeration

With Actiflo®, algae is no longer an issue

At Shepparton (Australia), 2 Actiflo® units (25 000 m³/d) are used to treat effluent from a wastewater lagoon.

- During the summer months, effluent can be highly loaded with algae; it is first treated by the Actiflo® plant and then filtered in order to obtain an effluent suitable for irrigation.
- During winter, the Actiflo® plant is shut down and the effluent is directly discharged into the Goulburn river.





Actiflo® Package Plant: fast-track and modular solutions



For small to medium-sized applications (1 000 to 10 000 m³/d), a range of package plant solutions has been designed, also providing **built-in sand filtration** (Actifloc®) or **sludge thickening** (in combination with Actidyn™) when required.

- These units can be set in a multiple stream arrangement to handle much larger flows; they are ideal when **low cost fast-track, pre-tested treatment units** are required.
- These package plants, manufactured in stainless steel or glass reinforced plastic, can be delivered on a trailer and **installed within days**. The layout of these package solutions is extremely flexible and can be “shoe horned” into the most constrained sites.



ACTIFLO® MOBILE PLANT

To demonstrate the effectiveness of the Actiflo® process, the services of an Actiflo® mobile plant equipped with laboratory can be provided.

This unit is housed in a shipping container, mounted on a trailer, and once delivered on site it can be **operational within hours**.

The range of Actiflo® mobile plants (from 40 to 160 m³/hr.) can also provide **temporary treatment** during plant failure or unforeseen flow or quality variations.



An unrivalled track-record of worldwide references

The Actiflo® process is currently in operation worldwide in small communities and large metropolitan areas, as well as in various installations for the treatment of industrial water and effluents.

