

## AQUARIUS BALLAST WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

## "Providing a green passport for global trade"

Wärtsilä's Aquarius UV ballast water management systems (BWMS) for newbuild and retrofit projects provide a low-risk path to compliance. Our approach covers all stages from fl eet evaluation to operation and maintenance and lifecycle support. Wärtsilä's tailored turnkey solutions help minimise the environmental footprint of your fl eet, improve operational effi ciency and ensure compliance with IMO and USCG standards.

#### **Ballast water regulations**

It is estimated that approximately seven billion tons of ballast water is transported globally each year. At any given time, ballast water can contain an estimated 7,000 species of organisms, including microscopic plants, animals, bacteria and viruses. These organisms can become invasive species, causing a change in the ecosystem balance. The purpose of a BWMS is to minimise the transfer of non-indigenous harmful aquatic organisms and pathogens from one area of the world to another. Ballast water management is regulated by the Ballast Water Management (BWM) Convention, which was adopted by the IMO in 2004 and entered into force globally in September 2017. By September 2024, all ships need to comply with both the IMO's D-2 Performance Discharge Standard and, if operating in US waters, the USCG 46 CFR 162.060 standard.

## AQUARIUS UV / UVX

Aquarius UV is an ultraviolet BWMS that provides a safe, flexible and robust treatment process. It uses a simple and efficient two-stage process in which seawater is first passed through a back-washing filter before passing through a UV chamber, where UV light is used to disinfect the water prior to it entering the ballast tanks. On discharge, water from the tanks passes through the UV chamber a second time. The system can be used across the full range of ship operating and environmental conditions. Aquarius UV systems use no active substances or chemicals and are easy to integrate, operate and maintain. The solution is type approved according to

the latest IMO and USCG standards. The system is typically installed in the vessel's engine room, but we also offer a UVX version for installation in hazardous areas on tankers.

Flexible supply options We offer tailored solutions to fit the specific needs of each individual vessel in terms of arrangement and access. The Aquarius UV can be supplied as a loose component kit, a modular arrangement or a bespoke single-skid design. Wärtsilä's global services organisation can support you with retrofit feasibility studies and engineering and commissioning.

#### **KEY BENEFITS**

- IMO & USCG type approved
- Flexible integration for retrofitting
- Long UV lamp life
- No active substances, no salinity limit
- Intelligent PLC control ensuring safe, economical automatic operation
- Ex-compliant version available for Zone 1 installations



## Proven filtration combined with robust UV treatment

During uptake the ballast water passes through a screen filter which removes particulates, sediment, zooplankton and phytoplankton over 40/25\* microns in size. Automatic backflushing ensures and maintains filtration efficiency.

The filtered ballast water is directed to a disinfection chamber, where mediumpressure UV lamps in a cross-flow arrangement disinfect the water before arrangement disinfect the water before it is directed to the ballast tanks. To maintain maximum effectiveness, the UV lamps are fitted with an automatic wiper system which prevents fouling and the accumulation of deposits on lamp sleeves.

The UV light intensity is continuously monitored during operation to ensure that the desired dose for maximum treatment efficiency is achieved. During discharge, the ballast water is pumped from the tanks back through the UV disinfection chamber for final treatment before being discharged overboard. The filter is bypassed during discharge.

\*25-micron filters, available as standard up to 500 m3/hr (Manta filters only)



#### **TYPE APPROVED**



## **AQUARIUS UVX**

For vessels that require a hazardous-area installation, Wärtsilä Water & Waste can provide an Ex and IECEx rated BWMS. This system complies with Directive 2014/34/EU and IECEX scheme rules (IECEx 02). Operationally the UVX system is the same as our standard UV system, the difference being that components are tested and rated in accordance with Ex and IECEx guidelines. To ensure a compliant installation, the filter, UV chamber, flowmeter and associated valves are installed in the Zone 1 hazardous area. The remaining equipment – the power supply unit and main control panel – are installed in the vessel's safe area.

Hazardous-area components for the UVX system

Filter system



UV chamber and flowmeter

# "Aquarius UVX – ensuring compliance and safety on the seas"

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## TWO FILTER OPTIONS FOR PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE

#### WHY FILTRATION

Filtration is key in conditioning ballast water for effective and efficient treatment, benefits include:

- Reduces the burden on disinfectant stage
- Promotes optimal dose ensuring compliance time after time
- Reduces impact of organism harboring sediment in ballast tanks mitigating the risk of contamination

### Aquarius UV with E-Series Filter



#### **KEY BENEFITS**

- 40 micron screen
- Removes 98% of organisms >50
  micron
- The "original" reliable ballast water filter with unparalleled automatic filtration cycle.
- Horizontal and vertical versions for flexible installation.

Available in AQ-125-UV to AQ-1000-UV



Aquarius UV with Manta is an ultraviolet BWMS that provides the same safe, flexible and robust treatment process as our established product in a more compact housing.



#### **KEY BENEFITS**

- 25 micron screen
- OneMotion<sup>™</sup> technology
- Enhanced performance in a more compact package
- Simplified "one" person maintenance
- Space saving

Available in AQ-125-UV to AQ-500-UV

Filter	System	Flow Rate (m3/hr)	Total Footprint (m2)	Height (m)	Power (kW)	Total Weight (Kg)
	AQ-125-UV*	12.5 – 125	1.8	1.3	19	964
	AQ-300-UV*	30 – 300	2.2	1.6	48	1,399
	AQ-500-UV*	50 – 500	2.4	1.8	63	1,759
	AQ-750-UV	75 – 750	4.0	3.2	92	3,430
	AQ-1000-UV	100 – 1000	4.6	3.5	99	3,790

## SELECTION CRITERIA

Criterion	UV	UVX
Treatment capacity 25–2000 m <sup>3</sup> /hr	x	x
Suitable for freshwater operation	x	x
Suitable for ATEX applications (non-US flag)		х
Fully automatic operation (integrated PLC)	x	x
Suitable for Zone 1 IIC T4 environments		x
40-micron sediment filtration	x	x
25-micron sediment filtration	x	
Capable of handling high solids and TSS loads	x	x
Full 904 duplex screen filter	x	x
Low backflush volume vs. TRC	x	x
Power consumption per 500 m <sup>3</sup> (kW)	63	63
Available as single-skid plug & play installation	x	x
Modular/kit design for extra flexibility	x	x
Suitable for aft peak treatment	x	
Chemical (active substance) free treatment	x	x

## FIVE STEPS TO A PROVEN, COMPLIANT BWMS

Wärtsilä Water & Waste follows the below process when specifying, designing and installing your BWMS.

## STEP 1. Data collection and system selection

This involves gathering the relevant vessel data such as pump capacity, operational profile, class, flag and other pertinent data to help determine equipment type, size and scope of supply. If requested, we can supply a high-level feasibility study outlining the available options.

## STEP 2. Vessel survey, 3D scan and design

The next step is to perform a 3D laser scan of the proposed installation site to support development of complete mechanical and electrical engineering documents and system installation plans. Following this the connections to existing pipework are planned, avoiding conflicts with existing structures/ equipment and identifying suitable equipment locations. The design phase can include all the required documentation for class approval to simplify the process and ease your burden. Aside from the main pipework penetrations, some of this work can be conducted prior to the drydock phase to shorten the drydock time.

## STEP 3. Procurement and manufacturing

All the equipment, required pipework, valves, cabling and other components are manufactured and delivered ready for installation. Wärtsilä Water & Waste collaborates with several trusted and highly experienced partners to perform system installations. During this phase the required base frames, mountings and associated fixings required for the installation are prefabricated.

#### **STEP 4. Installation**

Materials and transferred onto the vessel and the installation is performed according to the design specifications. Installation can be performed by the shipyard under supervision or carried out by a trusted Wärtsilä partner. In both cases Wärtsilä Water & Waste will ensure that the installation design plan is followed. All wiring will be completed, and power taken from a new or existing breaker on the vessel. The system then goes through an installation readiness check prior to commissioning.

#### **STEP 5. Commissioning**

Commissioning including dry and wet commissioning can be performed by Wärtsilä or a trusted partner. This step includes demonstration for the relevant class society and operation and maintenance training for crews. Following commissioning, all vessels must complete commissioning testing before being issued their International Ballast Water Certificate by the relevant flag authority. This testing must be carried out by an independent laboratory, and Wärtsilä can support you in finding a suitable service provider.



## LIFECYCLE SUPPORT SERVICES

Wärtsilä Water and Waste's inhouse technical service specialists provide lifecycle support covering installation, commissioning, operation and preventative maintenance complemented by our team of highly experienced service and commissioning engineers.

#### Our lifecycle support services include:

- scheduled maintenance
- repairs
- remote support
- obsolescence management
- modernisations and upgrades
- installation and commissioning
- inspections

## **A SOLUTION TO EVERY CHALLENGE**

Ballast water management systems are part of Wärtsilä's wider water and waste offering, which provides shipyards and vessel owners and operators with solutions to all their water, waste and wastewater challenges. Our offering also includes treatment systems for wastewater and wet and dry waste as well as freshwater generation systems.



## WÄRTSILÄ WATER & WASTE OFFERS A WIDE RANGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS FOR THE MARINE AND OFFSHORE INDUSTRY.

Our broad range of dedicated and proven environmental products include wastewater treatment systems (conventional biological sewage treatment plants and advanced membrane bioreactors), ballast water management systems, freshwater generators (reverse osmosis plants and evaporators) and vacuum toilets and vacuum collecting systems. All our solutions meet existing and anticipated regulations, including regulations for environmentally sensitive areas.

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