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Johnson Screens' Nu-Well chemicals improve water well production and extend a wells life



Johnson Screens has the industry's leading support staff, which includes specialists in the field of well design and chemical rehabilitation. Johnson Screens can help diagnose well conditions and provide effective treatment recommendations that are tailored to your well. Providing the industry's most comprehensive line of NSF (National Sanitary Foundation) approved water well treatment chemicals, Johnson Screens can help solve most any well ailment.

Six classic symptoms of water well ailments



Cloudy or "muddy" water. This condition is usually caused by bacterial slime buildup in the well.



"Different" taste or smell. A change in taste or smell may be caused by large populations of anaerobic bacteria in the bottom of the well, which can result in well and pump deterioration.



Declining production. Mineral scale and bacterial growth plug the well intake, including the screen, the filter pack and even the formation itself.



Higher electric bills. Mineral deposits often lead to loss of well capacity, increasing pump lift demands and making your well more expensive to operate.



Red water. Your well is probably infected with iron bacteria, which can corrode the well casing and pump. Water may have an "iron" taste.



Rotten egg smell. This odor indicates the presence of sulfate-reducing bacterial growth and hydrogen sulfide gas, which corrodes steel casings, screens, plumbing and fixtures. Water may also have an unpleasant taste.



How Johnson Screens and Nu-Well chemicals keep wells healthy

Annual checkups and well cleaning are good preventive medicine. You can make your well more productive and add years to its life. Avoid expensive repairs and re-drilling. Ensure the quality and safety of your drinking water. No one can afford to be without water.

If your well displays any of the six classic symptoms, don't delay.

- 1. Declining production
- 2. Red water
- 3. Rotten egg smell
- 4. Cloudy or "muddy" water
- 5. Higher electric bills
- 6. "Different" taste or smell

Make the first of your annual appointments right away to ensure a reliable water supply. Contact your water-well professional who uses Johnson Screens products, and nip the problem in the bud before it becomes a big problem.

Already have a big problem? There's hope.

Our specialists review all well records to determine the specific capacity of the well, static water level in the aquifer and treatment history. Then we conduct a laboratory or field test of the well water.

The laboratory analysis should include inorganic chemistry and a microbiological analysis. If a laboratory analysis is not available, field parameters such as alkalinity, hardness, pH and BacTe (48-hour bacteriological test) testing should be done. Once the diagnosis is made, the proper chemical treatment is designed.

With proper diagnosis and treatment, almost any well can be saved and production restored—sometimes even increased beyond original pumping rates.

Why you need a chemical treatment

Well cleaning involves more than cleaning the inside of the well. The filter pack, the formation and the back side of the well screen also need to be cleaned, which is impossible without chemicals.

Well fouling has a variety of causes, and no single standardized or universal solution is acceptable. Our specialists will design a specific course of treatment for your well, choosing the optimal chemicals from the industry's most comprehensive portfolio of water-well treatment chemicals.

The difference that well cleaning can make



Domestic Wells

- Reduced pumping costs
- Increased production
- Improved water quality
- Extended well life
- Increased water during peak demand
- Minimized iron levels in pumped water



Municipal, Industrial and Irrigation Wells

- Reduced operating costs by 25 percent
- Increased production by 25 to 50 percent
- Improved water quality
- Extended well life by 25 percent
- Increased water during peak demand
- Minimized iron levels in pumped water

A full line of chemicals that are safe and do not require any special handling

Nu-Well chemicals are environmentally safe and NSF certified for drinking water supplies. Your Johnson Screens specialist will prescribe the proper combinations and concentrations of chemicals for maximum effectiveness.

Chemical cures for water well ailments



Nu-Well 310 Bioacid Dispersant/Well Cleaner

Used in conjunction with another proper Nu-Well acid, Nu-Well 310 is today's most effective product for removing biofilm accumulation and mineral scale from the well.

Nu-Well 310 dissolves iron deposits and cleans the surface areas where iron bacteria reside. It prevents re-infection of the well and acid buildup that causes casing corrosion, which is often the source of iron and telltale red water.

Nu-Well 310 removes common types of oxidizing bacteria such as Gallionella, Leptothrix and Crenothrix, and slime forming bacteria not removed by acids alone.

Nu-Well 310 provides superior anti-fouling performance to enhance well production while reducing repairs and extending well life by protecting all forms of metal in the well system

Nu-Well 100 Pelletized Acid and Nu-Well 110 Granular Acid

The Nu-Well 100 acid pellets sink to provide concentrated cleaning power at the bottom of the well, while the Nu-Well 110 granular acid is pumped into the well as a liquid. Both products clean mineral scale and iron deposits and penetrate deep into the filter pack and formation to improve production. They also have inhibitors to protect against corrosion.





Nu-Well 220 Dispersant Polymer

This product rehabilitates old wells plugged with clays, silts and fines. In new wells, it replaces phosphates to break down drilling muds.

Nu-Well 410 Chlorine Enhancer

Wells providing drinking water must be chlorinated after they have been opened. Proper chlorination will reduce the damage that occurs during chlorination and ensure that the well is properly disinfected.

Nu-Well 410 increases the bacteria killing power of chlorine, increases the penetration of chlorine disinfectant, and reduces the blocking effect of hard water.



Give your well a clean bill of health with a good chemical cleaning

Treatment by experienced water-well professionals

In addition to a thorough investigation of your well, rehabilitation service by a qualified, licensed professional is essential to success. Licensed well rehabilitation professionals understand well construction, chemical cleaning and the correct and safe use of chemicals.

Here's what annual checkups typically involve:

- Flow test to check output, pump motor performance, pressure-tank and pressure-switch contact and general water quality
- Sanitation inspection of well equipment
- Water test for bacteria, hardness, sulfides and local water quality issues
- Written report that includes all laboratory and field test results, an explanation of these results and recommendations

Remember: Approximately one out of five public water systems show unsafe levels of bacteria in the well and/ or distribution systems. Have tests performed right away if you notice any changes in the taste, odor or appearance of your water or if family members are experiencing persistent gastrointestinal disorders. Testing is especially important if there are infants in the home.

We keep your well healthy.

Potential results ...





... without proper care.

A ten-year-old well in Colorado's Laramie-Fox Hills aquifer had biological and mineral blockage. The well is 10 in. (25 cm) in diameter and 1,500 ft (457 m) deep. It was incapable of sustaining a pumping rate of 70 gpm before the pump broke suction.

The well was cleaned with Johnson Screens Nu-Well 110 and Nu-Well 310 to remove the biofouling and mineral incrustation. This treatment more than doubled the well capacity and eliminated the need for drilling a new well, saving the owner more than \$150,000 with minimal downtime.



Chemical Cleaning, Disinfection & Decontamination of Water Wells



Chemical Cleaning, Disinfection & Decontamination of Water Wells book is a concise, complete assessment of the important role certain chemicals play in modern water treatment, water system construction and maintenance programs.

Included in this text are complete descriptions of chemicals frequently used in water supply applications. With a focus on effective and efficient use of chemicals, individually or in combination, to achieve better well rehabilitation, water system cleaning and water quality treatment.

Diagrams, formula mixer ratios and other technical data are included, along with proper handling techniques for each chemical and, where appropriate, clear warnings about possible hazards and the conditions that can cause them.

Chemical Cleaning, Disinfection & Decontamination of Water Wells book is in a convenient format for use on job sites, as well as classrooms and labs.

Groundwater & Wells



Recognized worldwide by engineers, scientists and well drillers, Groundwater & Wells, Third Edition, is used as the authoritative text on hydrogeology, well hydraulics, design, construction and materials and is available for purchase at www.jswaterwell.com.

Groundwater and Wells, Third Edition, includes comprehensive coverage of the accepted practices in well management, and is a valuable tool for anyone who designs, specifies, drills, samples, manages, or interprets data from monitoring or recovery wells

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