# LCK 049 Orthophosphate

## 5-90 mg/L PO<sub>4</sub>, 1.6-30.0 mg/L PO<sub>4</sub>-P or 3.7-70.0 mg/L P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>

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Scope and application: For water, soil analysis, fertilizers, animal feed and process analysis.



# **Test preparation**

## **Test storage**

Storage temperature: 15–25 °C (59–77 °F)

#### pH/Temperature

The pH of the water sample must be between pH 3–10.

The temperature of the water sample and reagents must be between 15–25 °C (59–77 °F).

# **Before starting**

Determination of orthophosphate: filtrate the sample before analysis.

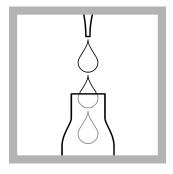
Cuvette Tests LCK 348, LCK 349 or LCK 350 must be used for the determination of total phosphorus.

Review safety information and expiration date on the package.

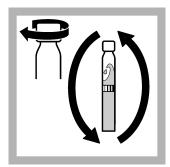
Review the Safety Data Sheets (MSDS/SDS) for the chemicals that are used. Use the recommended personal protective equipment.

Dispose of reacted solutions according to local, state and federal regulations. Refer to the Safety Data Sheets for disposal information for unused reagents. Refer to the environmental, health and safety staff for your facility and/or local regulatory agencies for further disposal information.

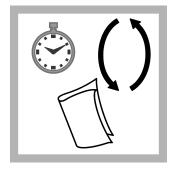
#### **Procedure**



1. Carefully pipet 5.0 mL of sample.



**2.** Close the cuvette and invert a few times.



**3.** After **10 minutes**, invert a few more times, thoroughly clean the outside of the cuvette and evaluate.



 Insert the cuvette into the cell holder.
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#### Interferences

The ions listed in the table have been individually checked against the given concentrations and do not cause interference. The cumulative effects and the influence of other ions have not been determined.

The measurement results must be subjected to plausibility checks (dilute and/or spike the sample).

Interference level	Interfering substance
1000 mg/L	SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , CI <sup>-</sup>
500 mg/L	K <sup>+</sup> , Na <sup>+</sup> , Ca <sup>2+</sup>
50 mg/L	CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Fe <sup>2+</sup> , Fe <sup>3+</sup> , Zn <sup>2+</sup> , Cu <sup>2+</sup> , Ni <sup>2+</sup> , Cr <sup>3+</sup>
5 mg/L	Pb <sup>2+</sup>

# **Summary of method**

Phosphate ions react with vanadate-molybdate reagent to form a yellow dye.