

Certification Boulevard Answer Key

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1. **b. 261,800 gals**

Volume, gals
= Length, feet x Width, feet x
Depth, feet = cubic feet (ft³)
= 100 feet x 25 feet x 14 feet
= 35,000 ft³
= 35,000 ft³ x 7.48 gal/ft³
= 261,800 gallons

2. **a. 98.6%**

Percent Removal Efficiency
= ((In - Out) ÷ In) x 100 = %
= ((250 ppm - 3.5 ppm) ÷ 250
ppm) x 100
= 98.6%

3. **b. 0.21**

F/M Ratio
= (F = Influent CBOD₅, lbs/day) ÷
(M = Aeration MLVSS, lbs)
Lbs/day CBOD₅ (F)
= Flow, mgd x conc., ppm x 8.34
lbs/gal
= 0.575 mgd x 250 ppm x 8.34 lbs/gal
= 1,199 lbs/day CBOD₅
Lbs MLVSS (M)
= Aeration Tank Volume, mg x
MLVSS, ppm x 8.34 lbs/gal
= (261,800 gals x 1,000,000) x
(3,500 ppm x 0.75) x 8.34 lbs/gal
= 0.2618 mg x 2,625 ppm x 8.34
lbs/gal
= 5,731 lbs MLVSS
= (F = 1,199 CBOD₅, lbs/day) ÷
(M = 5,731 MLVSS, lbs)

= 0.21 F/M ratio

4. **d. 1,963 ft²**

Surface Area
= πr^2
= 3.14 x 25 feet, x 25 feet
= 1,963 ft²

5. **c. 6.5 days**

SRT, days
= Pounds MLSS Inventory in
Aeration ÷ Lbs/day TSS
Removed from the Process
Pounds MLSS in Aeration
= Aeration Tank Volume, mg x
MLSS, ppm x 8.34 lbs/gal
= 0.2618 mg x 3,500 ppm x 8.34
lbs/gal
= 7,642 lbs MLSS in Aeration
Lbs/day TSS Removed
= Lbs/day WAS TSS + Lbs/day
Final Eff TSS
Lbs/day WAS TSS
= WAS, mgd x WAS conc., ppm x
8.34 lbs/gal
= 0.014 mgd x 10,000 ppm x 8.34
lbs/gal
= 1,168 lbs/day WAS TSS
Lbs/day Eff TSS
= Q, mgd x Eff TSS, ppm x 8.34
lbs/gal
= 0.575 mgd x 2.5 ppm x 8.34
lbs/gal
= 12 lbs/day Eff TSS
SRT, days
= 7,642 lbs MLSS in Aeration ÷
(1,168 lbs/day WAS TSS + 12
lbs/day Eff TSS)
= 6.5 day SRT

6. **c. 0.316 mgd**

RAS Rate, mgd
= Q, mgd x RAS % of Q
= 0.575 mgd x 0.55

= 0.316 mgd RAS Rate

7. **d. 1,168 lbs/day**

WAS Removed, Lbs/day
= QWAS, mgd x WAS conc., ppm x
8.34 lbs/gal
QWAS, mgd
= 14,000 gpd ÷ 1,000,000
= 0.014 mgd
WAS Conc., ppm
= 1% x 10,000 ppm
= 10,000 ppm
WAS Removed, Lbs/day
= 0.014 mgd x 10,000 ppm x 8.34
lbs/gal
= 1,168 lbs/day WAS

8. **a. 13.2 lbs/day/ft²**

**Clarifier Solids Loading Rate,
lbs/day/ft²**
= Total MLSS Entering Clarifier,
lbs/day ÷ Clarifier Surface Area,
ft²
**Total MLSS Entering Clarifier,
lbs/day**
= Q + QR, mgd x MLSS, ppm x
8.34 lbs/gal
= 0.575 + 0.316 mgd x 3,500 ppm x
8.34 lbs/gal
= 26,008 lbs/day MLSS entering
clarifier
Clarifier Surface Area, ft²
= πr^2
= 3.14 x 25 ft x 25 ft
= 1,963 ft²
**Clarifier Solids Loading Rate,
lbs/day/ft²**
= 26,008 MLSS Entering Clarifier,
lbs/day ÷ 1,963 ft² Surface Area
= 13.2 lbs/day/ft²

9. **a. 98.8%**

Percent Removal Efficiency
= ((In - Out) ÷ In) x 100 = %

= ((200 ppm - 2.5 ppm) ÷ 200
ppm) x 100
= 98.75%

10. **d. 9.0 hours**

Detention Time, hours
= V/Q = Tank Volume, mg x 24
hrs/day ÷ Influent Flow Entering
Tank, mgd
Aeration Volume, mg
= 100 ft long x 25 ft wide x 14 ft
deep x 7.48 gal/ft³
= 261,800 gals ÷ 1,000,000
= 0.2618 mg
Inf Flow Entering Tank, mgd
= 575,000 gpd ÷ 1,000,000
= 0.575 mgd
Detention Time, hours
= (0.2618 mg tank volume ÷ 0.575
mgd Inf Flow) x 24 hrs/day
= 9.0 hours

11. **d. 157 feet**

Length of Weir, feet
= Circumference = πd
= 3.14 x 50 ft diameter
= 157 feet

12. **b. 3,662 gpd/ft of weir**

Weir Overflow Rate
= Influent Flow Entering Clarifier,
gpd ÷ Total Length of Weir, feet
= 575,000 gpd ÷ 157 feet
= 3,662 gpd per foot of weir

13. **c. 293 gpd/ft²**

Surface Settling Rate, gpd/ft²
= Influent Flow Entering Clarifier,
gpd ÷ Surface Area, ft²
= 575,000 gpd ÷ 1,963 ft²
= 292.9 gpd/ft²