

TSE/BSE CERTIFICATE

This statement is in regard to the presence, source, and processing steps for animal derived components contained in the resins used to produce Labcon North America products.

The following is based on information provided to Labcon North America by the manufacturer of the resins and is believed to be true at the time of issuing this statement.

This product contains resins made with tallow-based additives derived from bovine material.

These materials originate in TSE/BSE free countries including the United States, Canada and Mexico.

There are two sets of process conditions used for processing bovine material:

- Hydrogenation of tallow at 200°C
- Hydrolysis at 260°C and 48 bar for 1.5 to 2 hours
- Vacuum distillation at 232°C
- Or
- Hydrolysis of tallow at 260°C and 700 PSIG for 3 hours
- Hydrogenation of stearic acid at 232°C and 300 PSIG for 2.5 hours
- Distilled at 232°C for 5 minutes

All of these conditions exceed the European Union standards as listed in the 22nd Commission Directive 98/16/EC of March 5th, 1998; as annexed to council Directive 76/768/EEC, and as agreed to by the Scientific Committee on Cosmetics recommendations concerning tallow derivatives for processing conditions of 200°C and 40 bars for 20 minutes.

If you have any questions regarding this statement please contact Labcon North America. Thank you for your interest in our products.