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ErmaFlex #1

Process

System for the production of liquid, semi-pasty and pasty products The Process at a glance

- Highlights & Key Activities
- Production of shower gel
- ✓ Production
- Quick cleaning
- Quality control of PH, viscosity, etc.
- Specific components
- 40L triple wall stainless steel tank
- Regulated heaters
- ✓ PT100 temperature sensors and 1 analogue pressure sensor
- Control cabinet equipped with a regulation system, a PLC and an operator console
- Features
- ✓ L/ W/ H: 2500 x 1500 x 2100 mm
- Electrical energy: 400V three-phase + neutral
- ✓ Pneumatic energy: 7 bar
- Weight: 500kg
- ✓ Consumables: Machine supplied with phases for making shower
- Water: Water supply and sewage disposal
- This system is accompanied by a technical and educational file

References

- FA30-FA32: Process with control cabinet equipped with Schneider M340 PLC and colour graphic touch panel
- ✓ UC13: Industrial Supervision Option for a Machine ✓ UC90: Option: Fault box for electrical cabinet, remotely configurable on a tablet (Not supplied)
- 1000: IO-Link package for electrical and pneumatic measurements
- SK20: Sick TDCE Smart IoT Gateway Kit & Ermaflex Process Smart Sensors
- UC51: Option: Visual Instructions & Monitoring of Production Indicators on the Tulip open application environment and touch pad, for one machine
- UC52: Option Visual instructions on Tulip open application environment and touch pad, for one machine
- MN15: Programmable Digital Mock-up Process
- QF10: Manufacturing Process Control Toolkit

Functional description

- The Process, the manufacturing unit of the Ermaflex line, is designed to produce different types of products: liquid (e.g. liquid soap), semi-pasty (e.g. shower gel) or pasty.
- It is used for mixing the basic products used in recipes, emulsifying, heating and cooling mixtures.
- The Process consists of 7 functional sub-assemblies, a control cabinet and the operator console

Sub-assembly Mixing of ingredients

- ✓ It ensures that a homogeneous mixture is formed from the various ingredients in the tank
- It is mainly made up of:
- A slow anchor mixer with articulated Teflon scrapers
- A three-phase asynchronous electric motor driving the mixer

Product emulsion sub-assembly

- It ensures the emulsion of the mixture made in the tank
- ✓ It is mainly made up of:
- A high speed turbine
- A three-phase asynchronous electric motor driving the chain



Tank heating sub-assembly

- It ensures a temperature increase of the mixture up to 60 degrees
- ✓ It is mainly made up of:
- A heating resistor located between the two shells of the tank
- A PT100 temperature sensor (measurement in the heating/cooling circuit)
- A PT100 type temperature sensor (measurement in the heart of the mixture)

Tank cooling sub-assembly

✓ It ensures that the mixture returns to room temperature after heating operations ✓ It is mainly made up of:

- A cold water circuit located between the two walls of the tank
- A solenoid valve to supply cold water to this circuit from the external network
- A solenoid valve for water discharge to the sewer
- A PT100 temperature sensor (measurement in the heating/cooling circuit)

Sub-assembly Tank cleaning

- ✓ It ensures the rinsing of the mother tank after each production cycle
- ✓ It is mainly made up of:
- A 360-degree cleaning ball that spreads water over the walls of the tank
 - A solenoid valve for the supply of hot water from the external network

Lid lift sub-assembly

✓ It ensures the opening of the tank to introduce ingredients or to clean it

- ✓ It is mainly made up of:
- A vertical hydraulic lid translation system
 - A guidance system for the mobile unit
- A mechanical locking system operated by a crank
- A sensor to check whether the cover is in the closed position

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System architecture (continued)

Operator console

✓ Study of the tank cleaning sub-assembly ✓ Study of the evacuation sub-assembly

- The colour graphic touch panel allows:
 - Running the manufacturing unit
 - Setting the controller parameters
- An inclined seat solenoid valve for the discharge of the mixture
 A pneumatic nozzle connected to the air network to send a semi-pasty mixture

Product discharge sub-assembly

It ensures the evacuation of the product to the packaging unit

A solenoid valve to supply compressed air

Control cabinet

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- Circuit breakers and fuse holders
- A Preventa safety relay to manage the emergency stop
- One 230V AC socket and two low voltage power supplies
- · Contactors and relays for the control of electrical actuators
- A programmable logic controller type M340
- Terminal blocks



Examples of operator console screens





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