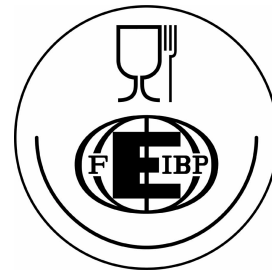


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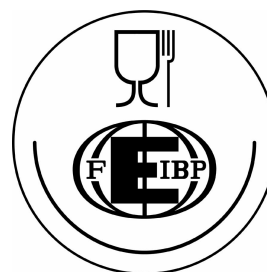
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PHB Logo and F.E.I.B.P. Address



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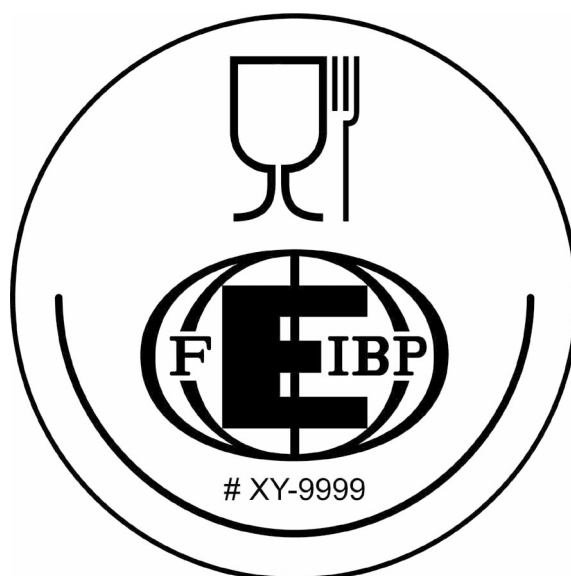
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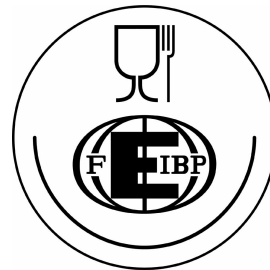
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F.E.I.B.P. Charter for Professional Hygiene Brushware



The F.E.I.B.P. has responded to a new market requirement by introducing a Charter for Professional Hygiene Brushware. The Charter has been established so as to enable the purchasers of this type of product to be confident that they will be supplied with high quality professional brushware which comply with all existing hygiene regulations.

The customers still have the responsibility of organising their own hygiene systems, but will be assured that if they purchase professional hygiene brushware from an F.E.I.B.P. registered manufacturer it will be fit for purpose.

1. Definition for Hygiene Brushware

These are products from the brushware sector which are intended for use in any food business (which includes preparation, processing, manufacturing, packing, storing, transportation, distribution, handling or offering for sale or supply, see COUNCIL DIRECTIVE 93/43 ECC 14 th June 1993) or other hygienically sensitive areas such as hospitals, etc.

The products are characterised by the fact that they are constructed in such a way, and of such materials, that they will not, in themselves absorb bacteria or contaminate any food stuffs or sensitive areas during their normal use. The materials should be corrosion proof and non-toxic, and the products should be able to withstand sterilisation or disinfection by other processes, including chemical treatment.

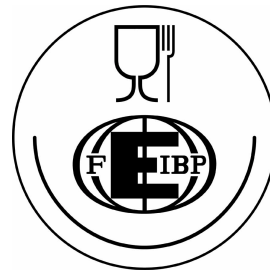
2. Specifications of brushes, handles and squeegees

2.1 Brush Components

The brush components must be made of materials resistant to solvents, chemical cleaning agents and temperatures required for disinfection. The components must not contain Chlorine. Any additives/compounds or colourants must be food grade of a recognised standard, and must not contain lead, mercury or cadmium. No hollow or flagged fibres are to be allowed.

2.2 Brush filling material fixing

The brush filling material retention must be by means of either wire (which cannot be attacked or made brittle by oxidisation) and/or by means of epoxy resin, which is made up of food grade components of a recognised standard, or of fused construction.



2.3 Handles

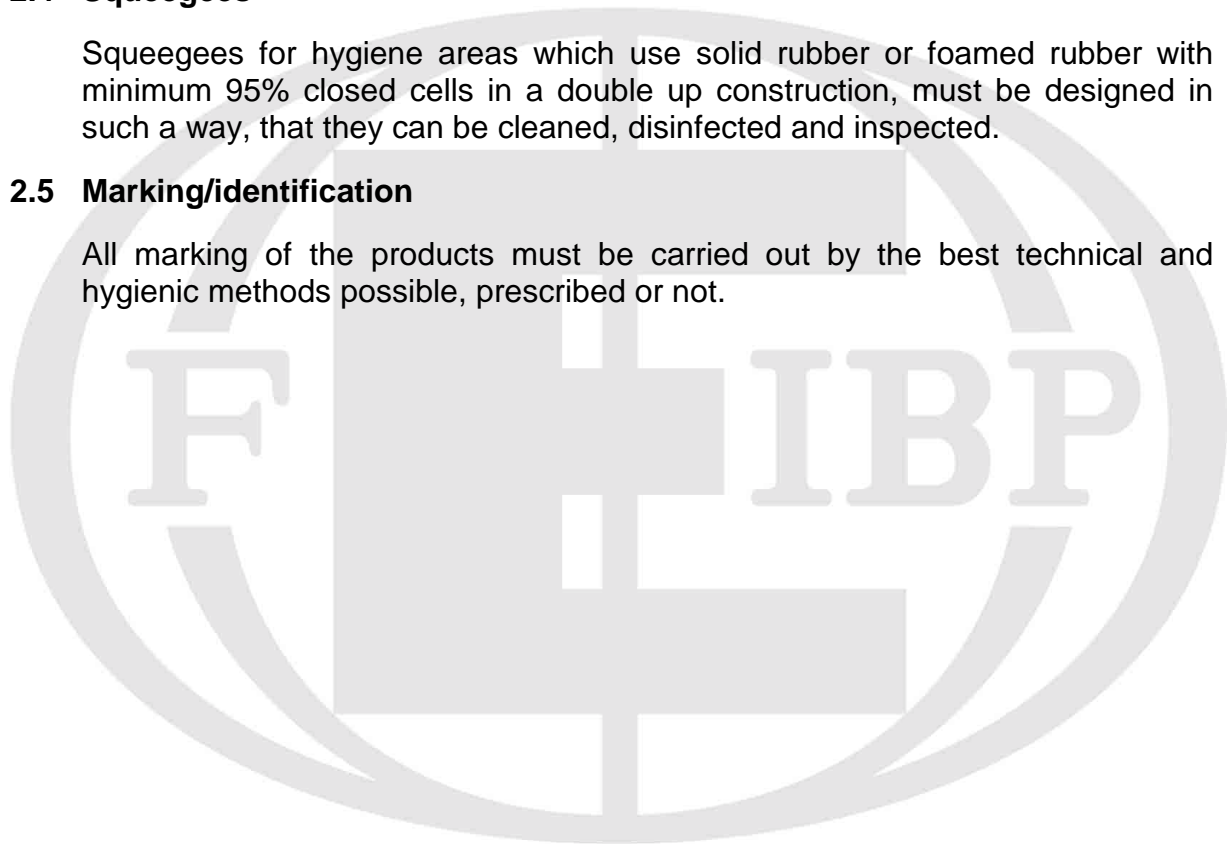
Handles must be manufactured from food grade stainless steel or fibreglass with a topcoat, or aluminium which is either anodised or coated with approved materials. All handle fittings (handgrips and threads) must be made from materials as those defined under “brush components”.

2.4 Squeegees

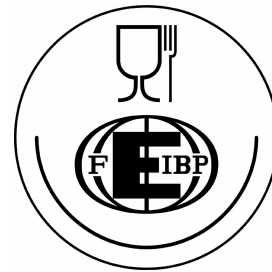
Squeegees for hygiene areas which use solid rubber or foamed rubber with minimum 95% closed cells in a double up construction, must be designed in such a way, that they can be cleaned, disinfected and inspected.

2.5 Marking/identification

All marking of the products must be carried out by the best technical and hygienic methods possible, prescribed or not.



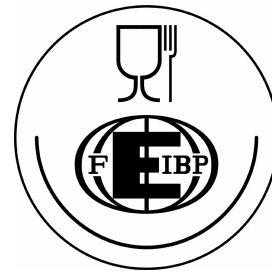
Professional Hygiene Brushware System and Practical Application



The System

1. The PHB Charter was established by the F.E.I.B.P. and approved by its members, and contains the definition of the Professional Hygiene Brushware.
2. The Charter is to be published in English, but other translations may be established if required.
3. Companies producing brushware meeting the requirements of the Charter will receive a registration number which will be valid until the end of the third calendar year following the application. e.g. A company which has been registered in April 2001 will have to apply for renewal of the registration by the end of December 2003. It is the responsibility of the F.E.I.B.P. General Secretary to notify registered companies three months before their registration expires. A firm must confirm whether or not they wish to extend their registration for a further three years.
4. The agreement will allow the use of a specific PHB logo.
5. The PHB-logo can only be used on products complying with the PHB Charter and which are manufactured by the registered company.
6. The PHB-logo can be used on product literature, but if that literature features any products which do not comply with the Charter, they must be clearly identified.
7. The PHB-logo can be used in advertising copy if the advertisement relates to PHB products, but if other products are shown they must be clearly identified.
8. The PHB Committee has the power to withdraw registration and demand an explanation if a complaint is forthcoming and there is evidence of non-compliance.
9. All applicants will have to sign a document (application form) stating that they will abide by the rules of the PHB Charter and confirm that their products comply with the PHB definition.

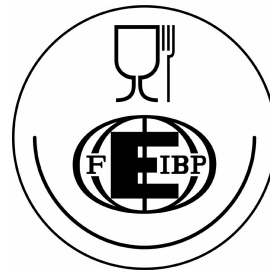
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Practical Application

10. Companies interested in the PHB agreement must make an application to their National Federation if one exists, or otherwise direct to the F.E.I.B.P.
11. The National Federations which are members of the F.E.I.B.P. are authorised
 - 11.1. To receive applications, with a duplicate application being sent to the secretariat in order to maintain a central data base.
 - 11.2. To examine the applications and to produce a report to be forwarded to the F.E.I.B.P. PHB Committee. If the reports are positive, they will be forwarded to the F.E.I.B.P. PHB Committee for consideration, and if the application is accepted by the PHB Committee, the Company will obtain an agreement from the F.E.I.B.P. and can use the PHB Logo.
12. The applicant company will be asked to sign an agreement that they will abide by the rules of the PHB Charter, and that their hygiene products comply with the PHB definition.
13. The application for registration under the Professional Hygiene Brushware Charter is open to all members of the national Associations affiliated to the F.E.I.B.P. who manufacture products which comply with the Hygiene Charter, plus any other companies who are not members of the Association who also manufacture products which comply with the Hygiene Charter. Applications must be accompanied by the appropriate fee, which in the case of applicants from companies who are members of national Associations affiliated to the F.E.I.B.P. will be €400.00 for the initial application and €150.00 per annum thereafter. For applications from companies who are not members of national Associations affiliated to the F.E.I.B.P., the fee will be €400.00 for the initial application plus the normal fee payable to the F.E.I.B.P. for a European country without an Association and then €150.00 per annum thereafter plus the normal fee payable to the F.E.I.B.P. for a European country without an Association. All fees will be subject to annual revue by the F.E.I.B.P. and all registered companies will be informed of price changes.
14. The agreement is valid for professional hygienic brushware, and will be valid until the end of the third calendar year after registration.
15. The powers and duties of the PHB Committee are laid down in a separate document entitled PHB Committee.

Rules for Obtaining F.E.I.B.P. Professional Hygiene Brush Charter Registration

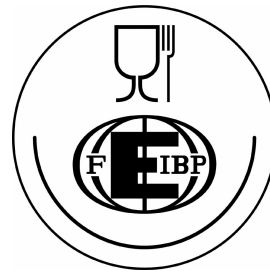


1. Any company manufacturing Hygiene Brushware may apply for registration to use the F.E.I.B.P. Hygiene Charter.
2. Any member company of a national organisation which is a member of the F.E.I.B.P. will apply to their national organisation and if the national organisation approves the application, it will be passed on to the F.E.I.B.P. office in Brussels. If there is no national organisation affiliated to the F.E.I.B.P., then the company should apply direct to the F.E.I.B.P. office in Brussels.
3. The F.E.I.B.P. will then issue a copy of the PHB Charter application form which the applicant must sign to say that his company will comply with the charter, and return the signed copy to Brussels.
4. The F.E.I.B.P. will then issue a numbered certificate to the applicant company, and art work of the logo containing the registration number. There will be no charge made for the certificate.
5. The logo can only be used on products covered by the Charter, or on promotional materials, literature, catalogues which are relevant to professional hygiene brushware. It must be stated clearly in any catalogues if any products in those catalogues do not comply with the charter.
6. Copies of any literature or catalogues incorporating the logo must be sent to the F.E.I.B.P. office for data collation.
7. There will be an F.E.I.B.P. Professional Hygiene Brush sub-committee which will review the use of the logo by all registered companies, and also provide continuous revision of the charter, taking into account any new hygiene regulations or requirements.

Standards Applicable to Professional Hygiene Brushware

1. EU Council Directive 97/48/EC on testing of food contact plastics for chemical migration.
2. EU Council Directive 90/128/EEC relating to plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with foodstuffs and amendments Directives 92/39/EEC, 93/9/EEC, 95/3/EEC, 96/11/EEC, 1999/91/EEC, 2001/62/EEC and 2002/12/EC. Directive 2002/12/EC lists the authorized substances such as monomers and additives and was amended by Directive 2008/39/EC.
3. US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) list of chemicals suitable for use in food industry applications, reference 21CFR.
4. EC Regulation 852/2004 on the Hygiene of Foodstuffs, replacing Directive 93/43/EEC.
5. US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) 1995 Food Code.
6. EU Regulation (EC) No. 1935/2004 on materials and articles intended to come into contact with food and repealing Directives 80/590/EEC and 89/109/EEC.
7. Stainless steel used must contain at least 16% Chromium and 9% Nickel.

Professional Hygiene Brushware Committee (PHB Committee)



1. Composition of the PHB Committee

A PHB Committee will be formed with one delegate from each member country and a chairman will be elected.

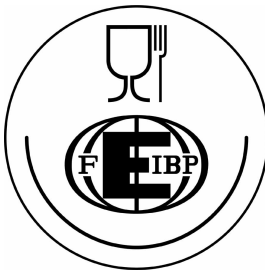
2. Duties of the Committee

- 2.1. The committee will consider applications for registration and renewals of registration.
- 2.2. Applications will be forwarded to the committee from the National Federations, or direct from a company where there is no National Federation.
- 2.3. The committee will be responsible for updating, when necessary, the technical information contained within the Charter.
- 2.4. The committee will have the power to withdraw a registration if there is evidence of non-compliance and to ask for information and an explanation from any registered company.

3. Committee Decisions

- 3.1. There will be a quorum of three for the PHB Committee meetings.
- 3.2. All decisions must be made by a minimum two-thirds majority.
- 3.3. Meetings will be held at least once a year (at the Annual Congress), but other meetings can be held if necessary. Notification of the meetings will be made by the F.E.I.B.P. General Secretary.
- 3.4. A member can ask for a special meeting, and the request will be considered by the Chairman.
- 3.5. All committee decisions will be transmitted to all committee members and the National Associations by the F.E.I.B.P. General Secretary.
- 3.6. All documents will be published in English.

APPLICATION	No.
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**for Registration under the F.E.I.B.P.
PHB Charter for Professional Hygiene Brushware**

1. Application Company

The undersigned					
Name		1 st Name		Position	
acting for					
Company name					
Street		Zip, City			
Phone		Fax		e-mail	

- asks for registration under the F.E.I.B.P. PHB Charter for Professional Hygiene Brushware.
- declares having received the PHB Charter and a notice concerning the system, the practical application, the rules for obtaining the registration and the PHB committee of the F.E.I.B.P., and declares that he agrees upon his honour to respect the contents of all documents received.
- agrees to transmit to his National Federation (if member of the F.E.I.B.P.) or to the F.E.I.B.P. directly all documents/information necessary to examine the application.

Location		Date	
Signature			

2. Application examination by National Federation

Applicant has been contacted by the National Federation and has been notified that the PHB Charter has to be respected in all points.

National Federation has looked into and examined all documents necessary for the approval.

Location		Date	
Name, 1 st Name		Name Federation	
Signature			

3. Application approval by F.E.I.B.P.

With signature of the President of the F.E.I.B.P. the application for registration under the F.E.I.B.P. PHB Charter for Professional Hygiene Brushware is approved.

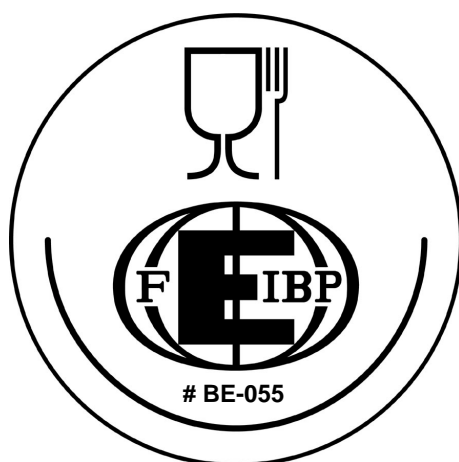
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CERTIFICATE

Registration No. # BE-055



Test-1 Febelbois Hygiene Brushware Ltd.
Hofter Vleest 126
B-1070 Brussels

The Company Test-1 Febelbois Hygiene Brushware Ltd. has applied and passed all examinations necessary and is entitled to use the PHB logo with
Registration No. # BE-055

for all brushware produced by the Company, meeting the requirements of
the Professional Hygiene Brushware Charter.

This Certificate is valid until end of year 2003.

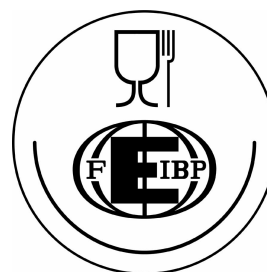
Certificate approved by the President of the F.E.I.B.P.

Brussels - 1. Oktober 2001

SIGNATURE

Name President
- President -

**Professional Hygiene Brushware
Registration Numbers**



List of Registration Numbers					
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		Code		from	to
	NOT USED			# -55	# -99
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2	Belgium	BE	99	# BE-200	# BE-299
3	Croatia	HR	99	# HR-300	# HR-399
4	Denmark	DK	99	# DK-400	# DK-499
5	France	FR	99	# FR-500	# FR-599
6	Germany	DE	99	# DE-600	# DE-699
7	Great Britain	GB	99	# GB-700	# GB-799
8	Hungary	HU	99	# HU-800	# HU-899
9	Italy	IT	99	# IT-900	# IT-999
10	Netherlands	NL	99	# NL-1000	# NL-1099
11	Norway	NO	99	# NO-1100	# NO-1199
12	Russia	RU	99	# RU-1200	# RU-1299
13	Poland	PL	99	# PL-1300	# PL-1399
14	Spain	ES	99	# ES-1400	# ES-1499
15	Sweden	SE	99	# SE-1500	# SE-1599
16	Switzerland	CH	99	# CH-1600	# CH-1699
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