

# New Trends Of Emission Control System Used In Silencer

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**Abstract**— Air pollution is most important from the public health point of view, because every individual person breathes approximately 23000 times a day, inhaling about 17 to 24 Kg of air daily. Polluted air causes physical ill effect, undesirable aesthetic and physiological effects. Air pollution can be defined as addition to our atmosphere of any material, which will have a detritus effect on life upon our planet. The main pollutants contributed by automobiles are carbon monoxide (CO), unburned hydrocarbon (UBHC), oxides of nitrogen (No<sub>x</sub>) and Lead. A silencer is an attempt in this direction; it is mainly dealing with control of emission and noise. A silencer is fitted to the exhaust pipe of engine. Sound produced under water is less hearable than it produced in atmosphere. This is mainly because of small sprockets in water molecules, which lowers its amplitude thus, lowers the sound level. Because of this property water is used in this silencer and hence its name aqua silencer. The noise and smoke level is considerable less than the conventional silencer, it is cheaper, no need of catalytic converter and easy to install.

**Key Words** - Air Pollution, Emission, Noise, Silencer.

## I. CONSTRUCTION

Basically an aqua silencer consists of a perforated tube which is installed at the end of the exhaust pipe. The perforated tube has different diameters. The purpose of providing different diameter holes is to break up gas mass to form smaller gas bubbles. Generally 4 sets of holes are drilled on the perforated tube. The other end of the perforated tube is closed by a plug. Around the circumference of the perforated tube a layer of activated charcoal is provided and further a metallic mesh covers it. The whole unit is then placed in a water container. A small opening is at the top of the container to remove the exhaust gases & a drain plug is provided at the bottom of the container for periodic cleaning of the container.

Also a filler plug is mounted at the top of the container. At the inlet of the exhaust pipe a non-return valve is provided which prevents the back flow of gases and water as well.

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## II. PARTS OF SILENCER

1. Mountings
2. Filler Plug
3. Charcoal Layer
4. Perforated Tube
5. Wire Mesh
6. Drain Plug

## III. DIAGRAM OF SILENCER

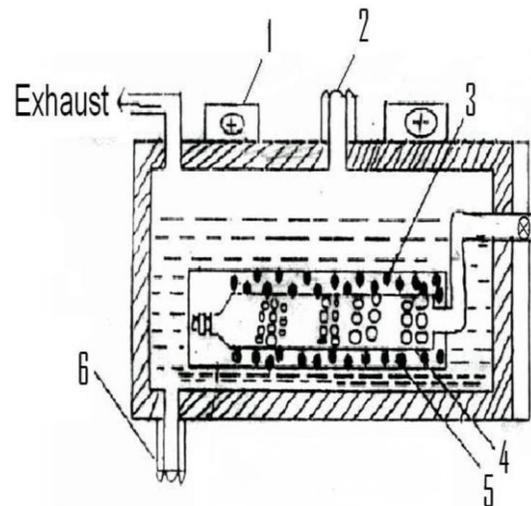
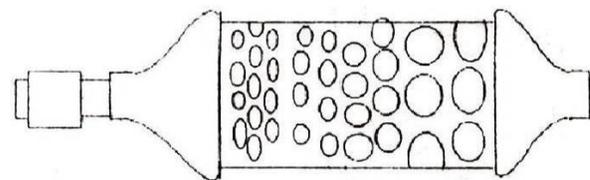


Figure 1 shows the construction and schematic diagram of silencer.

## IV. DIAGRAM OF PERFORATED TUBE



DIA 6mm 8MM 9MM 11MM

## PERFORATED TUBE

Figure 2 shows the schematic view of perforated tube.

## V. WORKING

As the exhaust gases enter into the Aqua silencer, the perforated tube converts high mass bubbles into low mass bubbles. After that they pass through the charcoal layer, which again purifies the gases. It is highly porous and possesses extra free

valences so it has high absorption capacity. After passing over the charcoal layer some of the gases may dissolve in the water and finally the exhaust gases escape through the opening in to the atmosphere. Hence aqua silencer reduces noise and pollution.

#### VI. EFFECT OF DISSOLVED GASES ON WATER

The water is a good absorbing medium. In silencer the gases are made to be dissolved in water. When these gases dissolved in water they form acids, carbonates, bicarbonates etc,

Action of dissolved SO<sub>2</sub>  
Action of dissolved CO<sub>2</sub>  
Effect of dissolved NO<sub>x</sub>

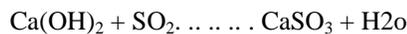
#### VII. METHODS TO CONTROL THE WATER POLLUTION

Lime water wash method.  
Absorption process.

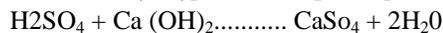
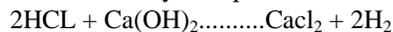
##### LIME WATER WASH METHOD;

The water is treated with the calculated quantities of slaked lime. After mixing the heavy precipitates settle down as sludge at the bottom of the tank are removed from time to time. Lime can neutralize any acid present in the water, SO<sub>2</sub>; gases are removed from the flue gases forming calcium sulphate. The precipitates dissolved carbon dioxide as calcium carbonate and converts bicarbonate ions into carbonates.

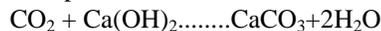
#### VIII. EQUATIONS



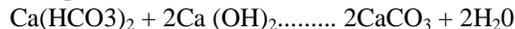
Neutralizes any acid present in water



Precipitates bicarbonate as calcium carbonate



Precipitates bicarbonate as calcium carbonate



Converts bicarbonate ions (Like NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, KHCO<sub>3</sub> etc.) into carbonates.



#### IX. LIMITATIONS OF LIME WATER WASH METHOD

Amount of neutralization capacity is limited, it is very difficult to handle, Bridging and form are formed, it is expansive, Regeneration is possible, Lime in any form it is difficult to handle.

#### X. ABSORTION PROCESS

Activated charcoal is available in granular or powdered form. As it is highly porous and possess free valences. So it posses high absorption capacity. Activated carbon is more widely used for the removal of taste and odorous from the public water supplies. Because it has excellent properties of attracting gases, finely divided solid particles and phenol type impurities, the activated carbon, usually in the powdered form

is added to the water either before or after the coagulation with sedimentation.

#### XI. ADVANTAGES OF ABSORTION PROCESS

It increases the coagulation power of the process. Its use reduces the chlorine demand. The excessive dose of activated carbon is not harmful. The treatment process is very simple and it requires nearly no skill. The efficiency of removing color, odor and taste is quite high. It can be easily regenerated. It has excellent properties of attracting gases.

#### XII. CONCLUSION

The silencer is more effective in the reduction of emission gases from the engine. Exhaust using perforated tube and charcoal, by using perforated tube the backpressure will remain constant and the sound level is reduced. By using perforated tube the fuel consumption remains same as conventional system. By using water as a medium the sound can be lowered and also by using activated charcoal in water we can control the exhaust emission to a greater level. The water contamination is found to be negligible in aqua silencer. It is smokeless and pollution free emission and also it is very cheap. This aqua silencer's performance is almost equivalent to the conventional silencer. It can be also used both for two wheelers and four wheelers and also can be used in industries.

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