# PART I Equipment, Chemicals and Supplies

### PLATING AND PROCESSING TANKS

The tanks used for processing work through the plating cycle may be constructed of a variety of materials. Both the type of chemical used and the operating temperature must be considered. Tanks may be constructed of wood, steel, stainless steel, fiberglass, polypropylene, polyethylene and other plastics. The wood tanks should have a suitable lining and all tanks must be suitably braced to be self supporting. The various types of tanks and their uses are listed below.

### I. WOOD TANKS:

Wood tanks were, at one time, made of cypress because of its waterproof property. However, marine plywood which uses a water proof glue is very satisfactory providing the plywood is thick enough. A tank made of plywood may be coated with a waterproof varnish and be provided with a flexible plastic liner. Another method commonly used is to make a wood tank and coat the inside and outside with fiberglass in which case no varnish is necessary.

Probably, the simplest tank to home-fabricate would be varnished marine plywood. This must be supported with a frame stiffener around the rim and in the case of fairly large tanks (over 30" deep or long) an additional brace around the middle as a supporting girth. See the attached drawing for suggested construction. We would suggest 1/2" thick plywood for small tanks up to 30" longest dimension and thicker plywood for larger tanks.

Tanks made of plywood with flexible vinyl liners can be used for most all acid and alkaline solutions. Although vinyl liners are, supposedly, limited to 160° F., in this case higher temperature may be tolerated since the liner is supported by the wood tank. Wood tanks coated with fiberglass can not be used for alkaline solutions such as alkaline cleaners or cyanide type plating solutions.

Wood tanks are not recommended for the rinse tanks because of the difficulty of installing the outlets needed for a running rinse.

### II. STEEL TANKS:

Welded steel tanks may be used up to 200° F. for all alkaline cleaner solutions and cyanide type plating solutions. However, bright plating solutions such as silver or copper solutions generally require plastic lined tanks because the bright finish may be impaired by minute traces of iron contamination. Rinse tanks following the foregoing alkaline type solutions can be constructed of steel.

### III. STAINLESS STEEL TANKS:

Stainless steel tanks can be used up to 200° F. for all alkaline solutions such as recommended for plain steel above. This type construction is much higher priced than plain steel but longer tank life will be realized. In addition stainless steel can be used to contain nitric acid solutions. It is not satisfactory for muriatic or sulfuric acids.

### IV. STEEL TANKS LINED WITH PVC:

These tanks have a lining of PVC on the inside which will resist common acids (except nitric acid) and alkalies but are limited to a maximum temperature of 150° F. They may be used for common acid type plating solutions, for acid dip tanks and for rinse tanks.

### V. FIBERGLASS TANKS:

These tanks can be used for rinse tanks, muriatic and sulfuric acid dip tanks, and acid type plating solutions up to 180° F. (Not recommended for chrome plating solution.) Fiberglass tanks are not suitable for alkaline cleaner solutions nor cyanide plating solutions.

### VI. POLYPROPYLENE TANKS:

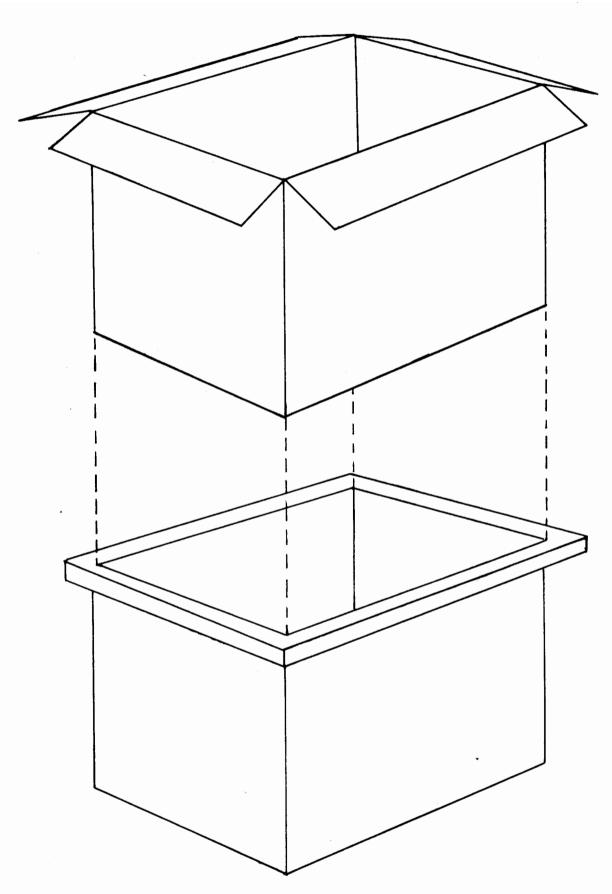
Polypropylene is the ideal tank material since it is not affected by acids or alkalies and can withstand termperatures of 180° F. As a consequence these tanks are satisfactory for all common plating solutions (except chrome) as well as for rinse tanks. It is not affected by the corrosive fumes in the plating room and chemical stains on the exterior surface are easily rinsed off. These tanks are plastic welded and hence can be made up in any specified size.

VII. POLYETHYLENE TANKS:

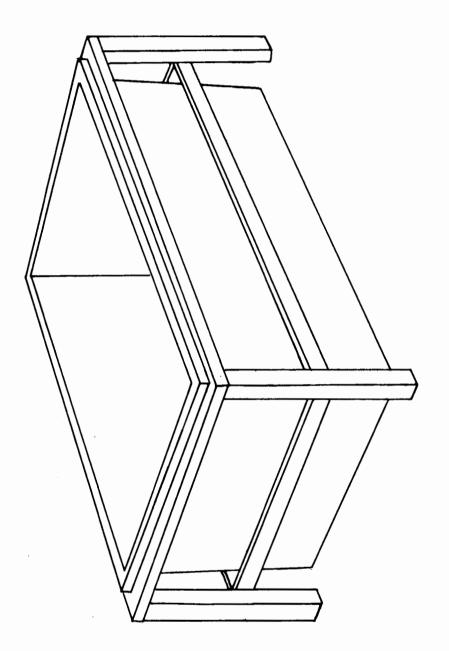
Tanks made of polyethylene are molded tanks and consequently are available in standard sizes only. They are resistant to all alkaline and acid solutions the same as the polypropylene tanks in Paragraph VI. However, they are limited to temperatures of 140° F.

### GENERAL:

Probably the easiest "do-it-yourself" tank is the wood tank with the flexible plastic liner. If the capability of welding steel tanks is available these, of course, are preferable where they can be used. The same might be said for stainless steel tanks. The fiberglass tanks, polypropylene tanks and polyethylene tanks all require fabrication experience and facilities that puts them out of the "do-it-yourself" category.



Schematic Drawing of Wood Tank Showing Flexible Insert Liner.



Schematic Drawing Showing How to Reinforce a Tank with a Stand.



# PLACO Heavy Duty PLASTIC TANKS

for Plating, Acid Dipping,

Rinsing and Chemical Treatments

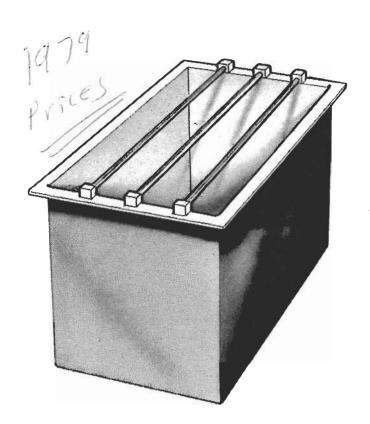
NO.	SIZE	GALS.	THICK- NESS	PRICE TANK ONLY	TANK W/3 COPPER RODS	TANK W/3 COPPER RODS AND AGITATOR	TANK W/3 COPPER RODS, AGITATOR, HEATER W/THERMOSTAT
PL10	18x14x12DP	10	1/4"	\$30.00	\$ 60.00	\$120.00	\$200.00
PL20	23x15x18DP	20	5/16"	60.00	95.00	155.00	245.00
PL30	23x18x24DP	30	5/16"	79.00	130.00	190.00	290.00

<sup>\*</sup> PL10 and PL20 have 1000 Watt, 115 V. Heater; PL30 has 2000 Watt, 230 V. Heater. Specify SS Heater for Alkaline solutions; Quartz Heater for Acid Type solutions.

### **OUTSTANDING FEATURES:**

- Heavy wall. Model PL10 and PL20 are self-supporting. Model PL30 should have a supporting frame.
- 2. No welded seams. Absolutely leak proof.
- 3. Exclusive square channel type rim for base of mounting accessories.
- 4. Recommended for continuous use up to 140° F. maximum or intermittant use to 160° F. maximum.

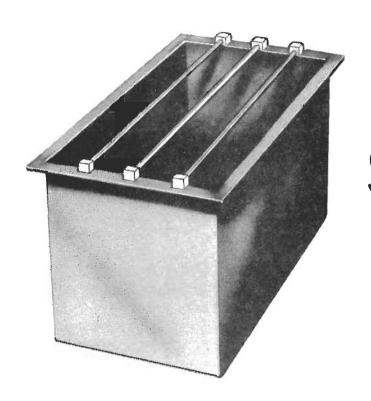
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## PLACO PVC LINED STEEL TANKS

Recommended for acid pickling solutions up to  $150^{\circ}$  F, ammonium persulphate solutions and all plating solutions up to  $150^{\circ}$  F.

MODEL NO.	SIZE L W D	MATERIAL THICKNESS MILD STEEL	TOP RIM	CAPACITY IN GALLONS	PRICE OF TANK ONLY	ROD DIA.	PRICE OF TANK WITH RODS & MOUNTS
LT-55	24×24×24"	14 ga	712"	55 gal	\$230.00	1/2"	\$288.00
LT-68	. 30x24x24"	12 ga	712"	68 gal	270.00	5/8"	334.00
LT-87	30x24x30"	11 ga	الأي"	87 gal	304.00	5/8"	368.00
LT-109	30x30x30"	11 ga	71/2"	109 gal	356.00	5/8:	420.00
LT-60	36x18x24"	11 ga	112"	60 gal	280.00	5/8"	374.00
LT-80	36x24x24"	ll ga	112"	80 gal	304.00	5/8"	398.00
LT-126	36x30x30"	3/16"	712"	126 gal	460.00	5/8"	554.00
LT-150	36x36x30"	3/16"	٦½"	150 gal	512.00	5/8"	606.00
LT-92	42x24x24"	3/16"	2**	92 gal	400.00	3/4"	499.00
LT-147	42x30x30"	3/16"	2"	147 gal	512.00	3/4"	611.00
LT-216	42x36x36"	3/16"	2"	216 gal	630.00	3/4"	729.00
LT-206	48x30x36"	3/16"	2"	206 gal	660.00	3/4"	766.00
LT-247	48x36x36"	3/16"	2"	247 gal	700.00	3/4"	806.00
LT-231	54x30x36"	3/16"	2"	231 gal	700.00	3/4"	849.00
LT-278	54x36x36"	3/16"	2"	278 gal	770.00	1 "	919.00
LT-310	60x36x36"	3/16"	2"	310 gal	910.00	1"	1069.00
LT-370	72x36x36"	3/16"	2"	370 gal	1040.00	1"	1339.00
LT-438	72x36x42"	3/16"	2"	438 gal	1140.00	ן"	1439.00



## PLACO UNLINED STEEL TANKS

Recommended for soak cleaning, electrocleaning, alkaline plating solutions and other non-corrosive applications.

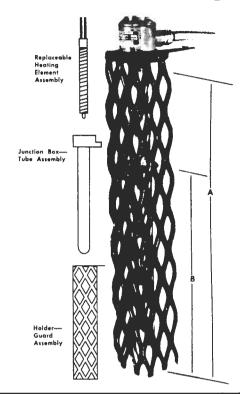
MODEL NO.	SIZE L W D	MATERIAL THICKNESS MILD STEEL	TOP RIM	CAPACITY IN GALLONS	PRICE OF TANK ONLY	ROD DIA.	PRICE OF TANK WITH RODS & MOUNTS
T-55	24×24×24"	14 ga	132"	55 gal	\$ 70.00	1/2"	\$128.00
T-68	30×24×24"	12 ga	1½"	68 ga1	80.00	5/8"	144.00
T-87	30x24x30"	11 ga	]½"	87 gal	92.00	5/8"	156.00
T-109	30x30x30"	11 ga	71/2"	109 gal	108,00	5/8"	172.00
T-60	36x18 <b>x</b> 24"	ll ga	712"	60 gal	80.00	5/8"	174.00
T-80	36x24x24"	11.ga	71/2"	80 gal	92.00	5/8"	186.00
T-126	36x30x30"	3/16"	712"	126 gal	210.00	5/8"	304.00
T-150	36x36x30"	3/16"	712"	150 gal	230.00	5/8"	324.00
T-92	42x24x24"	3/16"	2"	92 g <b>a</b> l	150.00	3/4"	249.00
T-147	42x30x30"	3/16"	2"	147 gal	230.00	3/4"	329.00
T-216	42x36x36"	3/16"	2"	216 gal	284.00	3/4"	383.00
T-206	48x30x36"	3/16"	2"	206 gal	284.00	3/4"	390.00
T-247	48x36x36"	3/16"	2"	247 gal	316.00	3/4"	422.00
T-231	54x30x36"	3/16"	2"	231 gal	316.00	3/4"	465.00
T-278	54x36x36"	3/16	2"	278 gal	344.00	יי ן	493.00
T-310	60x36x36"	3/16	2"	310 gal	454.00	1"	613.00
T-370	72x36x36"	3/16	2"	370 gal	540.00	ן יי ן	839.00
T-438	72x36x42 <sup>11</sup>	3/16	2"	438 gal	612.00	1"	911.00

### PLACO ELECTRICAL IMMERSION HEATERS

### HEATERS FOR DIFFICULT ACID BATHS

### **FEATURES:**

- Sealing cap filled with compound prevents the entrance of liquids and vapor.
- Portable, light-weight.
- Totally inert to all acid finishing and plating solutions (except HF and phosphatizing).



WATTS	VOLTS	DIMEN	NSIONS	CATALOG	PRICE	COMPLETE HEATER	ELEMENT
WATTS	, VOL13	А	В	NO.	COMPLETE	LESS GUARD	ONLY
1000	120/1 phase	12"	6"	QT-112	\$51.00	\$40.00	\$27.00
	240/1 phase	. –		Q1-212	Ψ01.00	<b>\$ 10.00</b>	<b>\$2710</b> 0
2000	240/1 phase	19"	יון ו	Q2-219	72.00	59.00	34.00
	480/1 phase			Q2-419	, 00	03.00	
3000	240/1 phase	22"	14"	Q3-222	84.00	62.00	38.00
	480/1 phase			Q3-422	01.00	02.00	00.00
4000	240/1 phase	28"	19"	Q4-228	95.00	73.00	42.00
	480/1 phase			Q4-428	30.00	70.00	
5000	240/1 phase	34"	26"	Q5-234	106.00	84.00	48.00
	480/1 phase			Q5-434			
6000	240/1 phase	40"	31"	Q6-240	117.00	95.00	53.00
	480/1 phase			Q6-440			
7500	240/1 phase	47"	35"	Q75-247	139.00	101.00	58.00
	480/1 phase			075-447			30.00
9000	240/İ phase	52"	38"	Q9-252	150.00	106.00	61.00
	480/1 phase			Q9-452			
12000	240/1 phase	70	57"	Q12-270	172.00	117.00	66.00
, 2000	480/1 phase	, ,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Q12-470			

# PLACO HEATERS FOR ALKALINE BATHS

FEATURES:

- A vapor proof junction box prevents entrance of vapors and liquids.
- Long life. The heaters are conservatively deisgned for safe operating temperatures with high grade resistance wire being used.
- Easily installed. Hang the heater over side of the tank and make electrical connection.
- Efficient operation. Heaters immersed directly into the liquid provide heat only where it is needed keeping heat cost to a minimum.

### THERMOSTAT

MAX.HTR. CAPACITY PRICE 2Kw/120V \$27.50
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MAX CAP 2Kw
AMPS 15
VOLTS (SPECIFY) 115 or 240
TEMP. RANGE 500 - 2500F
CAT. NO. H-4

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TITANIUM	NO.	PS1-114-T PS1-214-T	PS2-221-T PS2-421-T	PS3-226-T PS3-426-T	PS4-230-T PS4-430-T	PS5-235-T PS5-435-T	PS6-240-T PS6-440-T	PS9-254-T PS9-454-T	PS12-268-T PS12-468-T
TIT	PRICE	\$ 72.00	91.00	101.00	108.00	119.00	131.00	145.00	224.00
316 STAINLESS	NO.	PS1-114-S6 PS1-214-S6	PS2-221-S6 PS2-421-S6	PS3-226-S6 PS3-426-S6	PS4-230-S6 PS4-430-S6	PS5-235-S6 PS5-435-S6	PS6-240-S6 PS6-440-S6	PS9-254-S6 PS9-454-S6	PS12-268-S6 PS12-468-S6
316	PRICE	\$ 52.00	67.00	73.00	79.00	90.00	00.66	128.00	175.00
STAINLESS	.ON	PS1-114-S4 PS1-214-S4	PS2-221-S4 PS2-421-S4	PS3-226-S4 PS3-426-S4	PS4-230-S4 PS4-430-S4	PS5-235-S4 PS5-435-S4	PS6-240-S4 PS6-440-S4	PS9-254-S4 PS9-454-S4	PS12-268-S4 PS12-468-S4
STA	PRICE	\$ 47.00	64.00	00.99	70.00	80.00	89.00	115.00	157.00
PLAIN STEEL	NO.	PS1-114S PS1-214S	PS2-221S PS2-421S	PS3-226S PS3-426S	PS4-230S PS4-430S	PS5-235S PS5-435S	PS6-240S PS6-440S	PS9-254S PS9-454S	PS12-268S PS12-468S
PLAIN	PRICE	\$ 37.00	47.00	51.00	54.00	60.00	68.00	88.00	118.00
DIMENSION	В	7"	116	14"	18"	23"	28"	45"	199
DIME	A	14"	21"	26"	30"	35"	40"	54"	98
	VOLTS	120/1 ph 240/1 ph	240/1 ph 480/1 ph						
	WATTS	1000	2000	3000	4000	5000	0009	0006	12000

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## LABORATORY UNITS

QUARTZ

# STEEL AND STAINLESS STEEL

TS VOLTS DIA. LENGTH D 120 1 13" 120 5/8 7"			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
0VERALL 120 1 13" 120 1 10" 120 5/8 7"		\$29.00	26.00	23.00
S VOLTS DIA. 120 1 120 1 120 5/8	MIN. IMMER. DEPTH	7"	5"	3"
S VOLTS 120 120	OVERALL LENGTH	13"	10"	7"
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WATTS 1000 500 250	VOLTS	120	120	120
	WATTS	1000	200	250

M-1000

M-500 M-250

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SS STEEL	NO.	\$34.00 C-1000S \$40.00 C-1000S4	35.00 C-500S4	26.00 C-250S4
STAINLESS STEEL	PRICE	\$40.00	35.00	26.00
	NO.	C-1000S	29.00 C-5005	22.00 C-250S
PLAIN STEEL	PRICE	\$34.00	29.00	22.00
MIN.	DEPTH PRICE	7"	4"	2"
- IVGDVI	LENGTH	12"	8"	9
	DIA.	12,"	1,4"	18/9
	WATTS VOLTS DIA.	120   1½"	120   1½"	120 5/8"
	WATTS	1000	500	250

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.0N	WATTS	VOLTS	DIA.	LENGTH	DEPTH	PRI
C-1000S4	1000	120	1	13"	7"	\$29.
C-500S4	200	120	L	.,01	5"	26.
C-250S4	250	120	5/8	111/	=~	23

### CHOOSING YOUR D.C. POWER SUPPLY

The D.C. power supply is undoubtedly the most important single piece of equipment in a plating facility.

Equipment manufacturers may refer to the D.C. power supply as a "plater" or a "rectifier" but its basic function is the same: to change the alternating current (AC) into direct current (DC) and reduce the voltage from 115 or 230 or 460 to the low level, that is required for various processes.

Small bench modes1 are usually operated from 110/115 volt, single phase lines -- as available from ordinary household circuits. A unit of 150 amperes, 6 volt output should be about the highest rating for this AC line.

Units to 500 amperes may be operated from a 220V, single phase line, available in most areas.

Above limits are not an absolute formula but only listed as a general guideline.

Units of high current output (over 500 amperes) should be operated from a 220/240 volt, 3 phase service or 440/480 volt, 3 phase service.

This (3) phase electrical service is available in industrial/manufacturing areas; hardly ever in residential areas.

Choosing the most efficient and economical D.C. power supply will depend on these factors:

- · 1. Process(es) involved.
  - 2. Total area in square inches or feet to be processed per tank load.

As an example: if you want to silver plate some parts that would never exceed 1 square foot of area; a 15 amp, 0-4 volt D.C. power supply would be ample.

Conversely -- if you should try to hard chrome plate a part having 1 square foot of area; then you will need a 300 or 400 amp, 0 to 6 volt power supply and it should have low ripple D.C. output.

Above are the extreme examples. Silver requiring only 10 to 20 amps per square foot and hard chrome 250 to 350 amps per square foot.

Other important features in choosing a power supply would involve:

- 3. Voltage Control.
- 4. Type of rectification.
- 5. Accuracy of meters.
- 6. Maximum D.C. current (amperes).
- 7. Maximum D. C. volts.
- 8. Ripple (Filtered or Unfiltered).

Let's examine these features in some detail.

### Voltage Control:

Controlling the D.C. volt/amperes to your plating tank is absolutely necessary. As voltage is raised, the amperage is also raised and vice versa. This may be accomplished by a stepless autotransformer or a tap switch in conjunction with tapped leads from the isolation main transformer.

The stepless control is preferred for small single phase units and even for large 3 phase units. As the power factor increases, a stepless autotransformer may become inadvisable because of cost and/or size.

The tap switch method is less costly on larger units and is entirely satisfactory for most processes. Some exceptions would be precision plating of electronic or other small parts.

### Rectification:

The two most efficient rectifiers are selenium and silicon.

Silicon is the newest method and has no 'aging' factor, however, many manufactureres still use selenium.

### Maximum D.C. Current:

Your D.C. power supply should be capable of at least 25% more D.C. output than your maximum requirements.

As an example: if you expect to have loads requiring 75 amps then a 100 amps unit should be considered. Operating at 75% to 80% of rated capacity will insure many extra years of trouble free service.

### Maximum D.C. Volts:

Some percentage of extra D.C. volts is advisable -- but too much extra voltage can be detrimental, as well as costing more for the unit.

This is especially true of stepless autotransformer controlled units assuming the requirement is for operating copper plating tank -- 2 to 4 volts average requirement. A 0-6 volt D.C. power unit would be excellent -- but a 0-12 volt could cause problems, because your voltage control will be set at 1/3 to 1/2 of total winding causing premature wear and overheating of the carbon brushes.

### Ripple:

The most controversial subject in the plating industry is the effectiveness of low ripple D.C. power output. (Filtered vs. Unfiltered.)

All of our solutions with the single exception of PLACO Hard Chrome, will operate with any power supply regardless of ripple.

For hard chrome plating our LR1 single phase or our B3 Series must be used.

Should a unit of other manufacture be considered, then make certain the ripple is certified at less than 5% for hard industrial chrome processing.

All PLACO three phase input D.C. power units will have less than 5% ripple.

Should you require a D.C. power unit of different capacity or other specifications than listed -- be assured that we can supply you with minimum delay and at competitive prices.

We can also supply components for D.C. power units of any specification or rating. Electrical experience is strongly recommended for proper assembly of D.C. power equipment.



For special processing requiring 1-4 volts; Electroforming, plating plaster, plastics, baby shoes and flowers. Precious metal recovery electrowinning from ore and silver recovery from photo solution. Ideal for silver, gold plating, etc.

### MODEL B14

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 1 Amp.

D.C. Output 15 Amps, 0-4 V.

Complete with 2" volt ammeters, stepless voltage control, full wave silicon rectifier, 5' line cord, switch, fuse and pilot lite.

Shipping weight 24 lbs.

Price \$145.00

### MODEL B34

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 2 Amps.

D.C. Output 30 Amps, 0-4 V.

Shipping weight 40 lbs.

Price \$180.00

### MODEL B54

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 5 Amps.

D.C. Output 75 Amps, 0-4 V.

Shipping weight 60 lbs.

Price \$305.00

### MODEL B104

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 10 Amps.

D.C. Output, 150 Amps, 0-4 V.

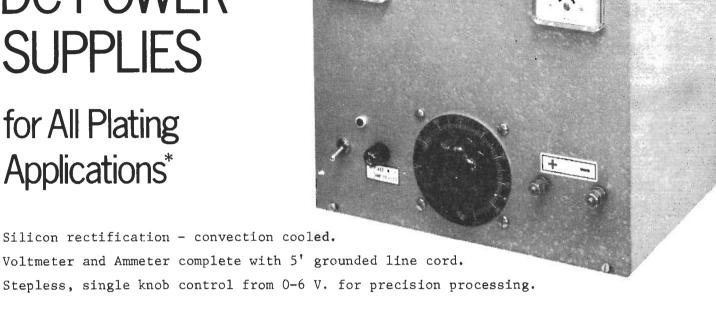
Shipping weight 110 lbs.

Price \$385.00

Other sizes to your requirements. Write for prices stating needed specifications.

### PLACO DC POWER **SUPPLIES**

### for All Plating Applications\*



### MODEL B1-26

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 3 Amps.

D.C. Output 0-25 Amps, 0-6 V.

Size 10"x7"x8" high.

Net weight 25 lbs. Shipping weight 35 lbs.

Price 185.00

### MODEL B1-56

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 5 Amps.

D.C. Output 0-50 Amps, 0-6 V.

Size 12"x8"x11" high.

Net weight 35 lbs. Shipping weight 45 lbs.

Price 250.00

MODEL B1-106 (Illustrated on next page.)

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 10 Amps.

D.C. Output 0-100 Amps, 0-6 V.

Sloping Front Cabinet Size 18"x12"x125" high.

Net weight 60 lbs. Shipping weight 90 lbs.

Price 345.00

MODEL B1-156 (Illustrated on next page.)

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 13 Amps.

D.C. Output 0-150 Amps, 0-6 V.

Sloping Front Cabinet Size 18"x12"x12½" high.

Net weight 70 lbs. Shipping weight 100 lbs.

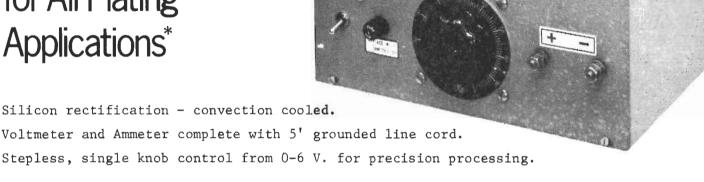
Price \$435.00

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<sup>\*</sup> Hard chrome plating requires low ripple D.C. Output, less than 5%. See Special Processing Units LR Series and P3, and P.D.

### PLACO DC POWER **SUPPLIES**

### for All Plating Applications\*



### MODEL B1-26

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 3 Amps.

D.C. Output 0-25 Amps, 0-6 V.

Size 10"x7"x8" high.

Net weight 25 lbs. Shipping weight 35 lbs.

Price 185.00

### MODEL B1-56

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 5 Amps.

D.C. Output 0-50 Amps, 0-6 V.

Size 12"x8"x11" high.

Net weight 35 lbs. Shipping weight 45 lbs.

Price 250.00

MODEL B1-106 (Illustrated on next page.)

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 10 Amps.

D.C. Output 0-100 Amps, 0-6 V.

Sloping Front Cabinet Size 18"x12"x12%" high.

Net weight 60 lbs. Shipping weight 90 lbs.

Price 345.00

MODEL B1-156 (Illustrated on next page.)

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 13 Amps.

D.C. Output 0-150 Amps, 0-6 V.

Sloping Front Cabinet Size 18"x12"x12½" high.

Net weight 70 lbs. Shipping weight 100 lbs.

Price \$435.00

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### PLACO FILTERED DC POWER UNITS

For Hard Industrial Chrome and other processes requiring low ripple D.C.

### MODEL LR 1-57

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 6 Amps.

D.C. Output 0-50 Amps, 0-6 V. less than 5% ripple.

Large 4-1/2" meters.

Cabinet Size: 22"x9"x15"

Price \$345.00

### MODEL LR1-107

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 12 Amps.

D.C. Output 0-100 Amps, 0-6 V. less than 5% ripple.

Large 4-1/2" Meters.

Cabinet Size: 22"x11"x15"

Price \$435.00

### MODEL LR1-157

A.C. Input 110/120 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 18 Amps.

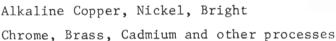
D.C. Output 0-150 Amps, 0-6 V. less than 5% ripple.

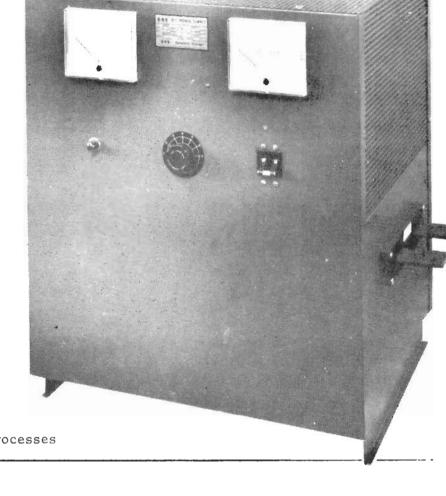
Large 4-1/2" Meters.

Cabinet Size: 22"x14"x15"

Price \$575.00

# PLACO DC POWER SUPPLIES for Electroplating





### MODEL P2-36

A.C. Input 220 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 14 Amps. D.C. Output 300 Amps, 2-6 V.

Large 4" meters, 7 position control, silicon full wave rectifier, fan cooled. Circuit breaker. Add \$175.00 for Filter Section

This unit can process loads of 8-10 square feet copper, 6-8 square feet nickel,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ -3 square feet bright chrome.\*

Price \$495.00 Encl. Size 22x18x27" high. Net weight 150 lbs. Shipping weight 200 lbs. Also available for 110 V. operation. Add \$40.00 (A.C. Input will be 28 Amps at 110 V.)

### MODEL P2-56

A.C. Input 220 V., 1 ph, 60 cycles, 25 Amps. D.C. Output 500 Amps, 2-6 V.

Same specifications as P2-36.

Add \$225.00 for Filter Section

Price \$675.00 Encl. Size 22x18x27" high. Net weight 165 lbs. Shipping weight 215 lbs.

This unit can process loads of 15 to 20 square feet copper, 10 to 15 square feet nickel, 4-5 square feet of bright chrome.\*

Above units are complete with 5' line cord ready to "plug in" to 220 V. receptacle and operate. Also available in kit form for your assembly. (See "D.C. Power Kits" for pricing.)

\*Chrome plating results are better with filtered DC output or 3-phase AC input. Write for details.

### PLACO 3-Phase Heavy Duty DC POWER UNITS Less than 5% Ripple

MODEL P3-106

A.C. Input 220/240 or 440/480 V., 3 ph, 60 cycles, 20 Amps.

D.C. Output 1000 Amps, 2-6 V.

4" Meters, Three (3) 7 position tap switches providing 21 steps of voltage.

Silicon fan cooled rectifier, circuit breaker.

Price \$1275.00

Net weight 545 lbs.

Encl. size: 23x23x52" high. Shipping wt. 650 lbs.

Plating capability for all industrial or decorative processes.

Maximum area: Bright chrome 10 square feet, hard industrial chrome 5 square feet.

### MODEL P3-156

A.C. Input 220/240 or 440/480 V., 3 ph, 60 cycles, 30 Amps.

D.C. Output 1500 Amps, 2-12 V.

Same specifications as P3-106.

Price \$1675.00

Net weight 750 lbs.

Same size enclosure.

Shipping wt. 850 lbs.

This model will process large parts including auto bumpers.

### MODEL PD9-29

A.C. Input 220/240 or 440/480 V., 3 ph, 60 cycles, 60 Amps.

D.C. Output 2000 Amps, 1.5 to 9 V.

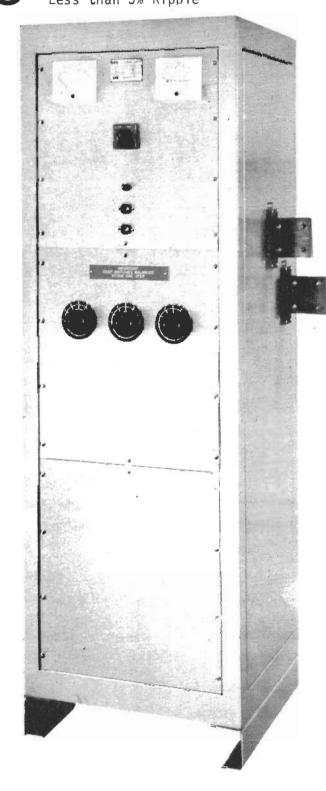
4" Meters, three (3) 7 position tap switches with Hi-Lo Switch to provide 42 steps from 1.5 to 9V.

Price \$2250.00

Net weight 900 lbs.

Encl. size: 23x23x71" high. Shipping wt. 1050 lbs.

This model is adequate for all types of processing including larger bumpers with chrome.



### PLACO D.C. POWER UNITS COMPONENT KITS

Filtered D.C. Output for Hard Chrome and Special Processing Requiring Low Ripple

(A.C. Input 110/120 Volts, 1 phase, 60 cycles.)

50A 0-6 Volts	100A 0-6 Volts
(Same Components as LR1-57)	(Same Components as LR1-107)
Silicon Rectifier	100-C   Silicon Rectifier   \$28.75   T-106-C   Transformer   77.00   C-100   Choke   72.00   31500   Capacitor   12.50   50-20   Resistor   1.00   T-1-116-U   Stepless   Autotransformer   er Voltage   Controller   32.00   520-10   Voltmeter   21.75   520-100   Ammeter   20.25   100-50   MV   Shunt   and   Leads   11.75   N51   Pilot   Lite   1.50   S10   Switch   .75   F-1   Fuse   Holder   and   Fuse   .85   LR-107K

### $\frac{150A \ 0-6 \ Volts}{\text{(Same Components as LR1-157)}}$

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150-C Silicon Rec		\$ 35.80
T-156-C Transformer	r	127.00
C-100 Choke		114.00
(2) 31500 Capacito		25.00
T-1210 Stepless A	utotransformer	•
	Controller	48.00
520-10 Voltmeter		21.75
520-150 Ammeter		20.25
150-50 MV Shunt and	d Leads	11.75
N51 Pilot Lite		1.50
S15 Switch		1.10
F-1 Fuse Holde	r and Fuse	.85
LR1-157K		
LKI-13/K		\$407.50

You can order the complete set of components or individual components should you have some of the parts available.

(See Page 22 for Schematic Drawings)

### GENERAL PURPOSE PLACO D.C. POWER UNITS COMPONENTS KITS

(A.C. Input 110/120 Volts, 1 phase, 60 cycles.)

(Same Components as in our B1-26)	(Same Components as in our B-106)
30-C Silicon Rectifier \$11.25 T-26-C Transformer 39.00 T-1-121 Stepless Autotransformer (251) Voltage Controller 16.00 H10 Voltmeter 4.75 H25 Ammeter 4.75 N51 Pilot Lite 1.50 S10 Switch .75 F-1 Fuse Holder and Fuse .85	100-C   Silicon Rectifier   \$ 28.75   T-106-C   Transformer   77.00   T-1-116-U   Stepless Autotransformer   er Voltage   Controlle   32.00   H10   Voltmeter   4.75   H100   Ammeter   9.50   N51   Pilot Lite   1.50   S10   Switch   .75   F-1   Fuse   Post   and   Fuse   .85   B1-106K
B1-26K \$73.85	B1-106K
50A 0-6 Volts (Same Components as B1-56)	150A 0-6 Volts (Same Components as Bl-156)
50-C Silicon Rectifier \$ 15.75 T-50-C Transformer 51.50 T-1-124 Stepless Autotransformer (501) Voltage Controller 23.50 H10 Voltmeter 4.75 H50 Ammeter 4.75 N51 Pilot Lite 1.50 S10 Switch .75 F-1 Fuse Holder and Fuse .85	150-C       Silicon Rectifier       \$ 35.80         T-156-C       Transformer       127.00         T-1210       Stepless Autotransformer       48.00         520-10       Voltage Controller       48.00         520-150       Ammeter       21.75         520-150       Ammeter       20.25         150-50       MV Shunt and Leads       11.75         N51       Pilot Lite       1.50         S15       Switch       1.10         F-1       Fuse Post and Fuse       .85
B1-56K <del>\$103.35</del>	B1-156K

You can order the complete set of components or individual components should you have some of the parts available.

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### LOW VOLTAGE PLACO D.C. POWER UNITS COMPONENT KITS

(A.C. Input 110/120 Volts, 1 phase, 60 cycles.)

Assemble your unit from our standard components and save.

You can order the complete set of components or individual components should you have some of the parts available.

(5	15A O-4 Volts ame Components as in our E	314)	75A 0-4 Volts (Same Components as in our B54)
T-14-C T-1-120 H10 H15 N51 S10 F-1	Silicon Rectifier Transformer Stepless Autotransformer Voltage Controller Voltmeter Ammeter Pilot Lite Switch Fuse Post and Fuse	\$ 6.50 26.00 14.00 4.75 4.75 1.50 .75 .85	75-C Silicon Rectifier \$ 24.50 T-54-C Transformer 66.25 T-1-124 Stepless Autotransformer
(S	30A 0-4 Volts ame Components as in our E	334)	150A 0-4 Volts (Same Components as in our B104)
T-34-C T-1-121 H10 H30 N51 S10 F-1	Silicon Rectifier Transformer Stepless Autotranformer Voltage Controller Voltmeter Ammeter Pilot Lite Switch Fuse Post and Fuse	\$11.25 32.50 16.00 4.75 4.75 1.50 .75 .85	150-C   Silicon Rectifier   \$ 35.80   T-104-c   Transformer   112.00   T-1-116-U   Stepless Autotransformer   er Voltage Controller   32.00   520-10   Voltmeter   21.75   520-150   Ammeter   20.25   150-50MV   Shunt   and   Leads   11.75   N51   Pilot   Lite   1.50   S15   Switch   .75   F-1   Fuse Post   and   Fuse   .85   B1-155K

(See Page 22 for Schematic Drawings)

### General Purpose

### PLACO D.C. POWER UNITS

### Component Kits

### 300 Amps-2 to 6 Volts

(Same components as our P2-36.)

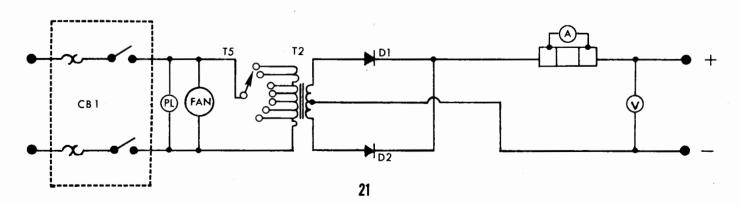
300C	Silicon Rectifier \$	66.50
T-3006CT	Transformer	195.00
T5 111-8	Tap Switch	12.75
841-300A	Ammeter	20.25
841-10V	Voltmeter	21.75
S-300-50MV	Shunt	17.25
N-51	Pilot Light	1.50
15A	Circuit Breaker	12.50
F552	Fan	12.75
P2-36K	Complete Kit \$	360.25

Also available with components for 110V operations at additional charge of \$40.00.

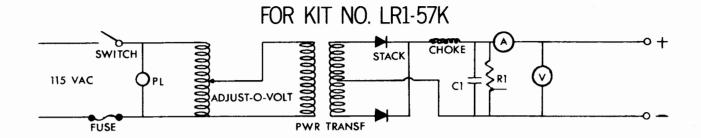
### 500 Amps - 2 to 6 Volts - Tap Switch

(Same components as our P2-56.)

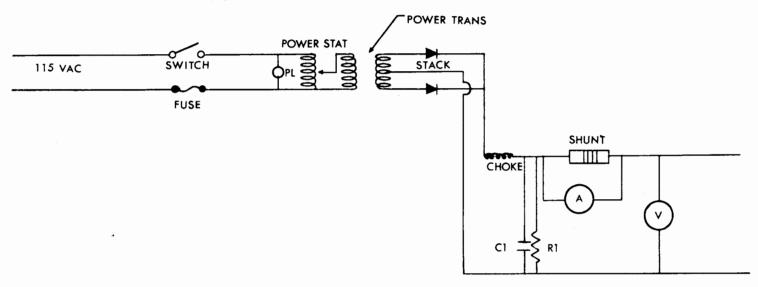
500C	Silicon Rectifier \$ 8	37.50
T-5006CT		0.00
TS212-7	Tap Switch 1	6.50
841-500A	Ammeter 2	0.25
A-500-50MV	Shunt 7	9.00
N-51	Pilot Light	1.50
H25A	Circuit Breaker 1	2.50
F552		2.75
	Voltmeter 2	1.75
P2-56K	Complete Kit \$ 45	1.75



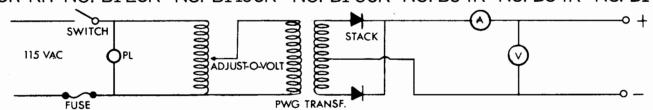
### SCHEMATIC DRAWINGS FOR DC POWER UNIT COMPONENT KITS

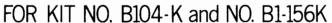


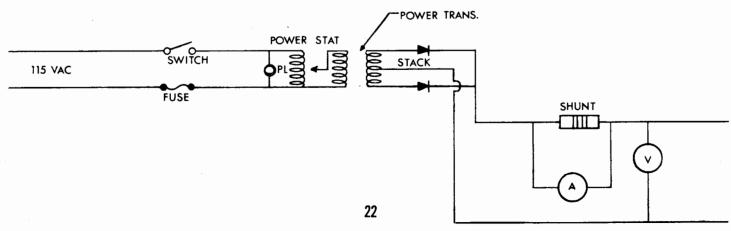
### FOR KIT NO. LR-107K and NO. LR1-157K



FOR KIT NO. B1-26K • NO. B1-106K • NO. B1-56K • NO. B54K • NO. B34K • NO. B14K







### PLACO READY-TO-USE CHEMICALS

These cleaning and plating chemicals are sold as a prepared mixture. Simply pour the chemicals into the proper tank, add one gallon of water per one gallon of chemical mixture, stir and let settle.

SOLUTION	CATALOG NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	1-4 GALS PER GAL.	5-9 GALS PER GAL.	10 GALS UP PER GAL.
Cleaner	GP40	General purpose electro- cleaner	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.40	\$ 1.25
Bright Copper	BC701	Alkaline bright copper solution	9.50	9.25	9.00
Acid Copper	BA702	Acid copper for plating on non-metallic items and for electroforming	6.50	6.25	6.00
Bright Nickel	BN711	Needs no buffing. Ideal underplate for chrome, silver, gold, etc.	12.00	11.50	11.00
Bright Chrome	BC721	For all decorative chrome plating. Must have nickel base plate.	12.00	11.50	11.00
Yellow Gold ·	G731	For all decorative finishes on jewelry, trophies, giftware.	Write for	Prices	
Silver	S741	For all purpose decorative and industrial silver plating	Write for	Prices	
Brass	BR751	Decorative yellow brass.  Must have bright nickel base plate	9.50	9.25	9.00

### POLISHING, BUFFING AND FINISHING SUPPLIES

### BUFFS

CATALOG NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	PRICE EACH
12BS	12" Sewed Buff	\$3.80
12BL	12" Loose Buff	3.70
8BS	8" Sewed Buff	1.80
8BL	8" Loose Buff	1.75
6BS	6" Sewed Buff	1.70
6BL	6" Loose Buff	1.60

### TAMPICO SCRATCH BRUSHES

CATALOG NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	PRICE EACH
8ТВ	White Tampico Brush Sections* 1/2" Thick (1/2" Arbor)	\$5.00

\*Multiple sections are assembled on lathe spindle to give required brush wheel thickness.

### BUFFING EQUIPMENT

CATALOG		PRICE
NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	EACH
BM75	3/4 H.P. Buffing Lathe, 110 volt or 220 volt single phase motor	\$75.00

### POLISHING AND BUFFING COMPOUNDS

CATALOG		PRICE
NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	EACH
VF400	(very fine)	\$3.50
MF270	(medium fine) Lea Compounds (greaseless type)	3.50
M240	(medium)  Used on Sewed or Loose Buffs. Coarse grade for removing deep cuts, scratches and imperfec-	3.50
MC200	(med. coarse) tions. Fine grades for satin or matte finishes.	3.50
C120	(coarse)	3.50
T200	Tripoli Compound for copper, brass, aluminum, die castings	3.75
WD210	White Diamond for color buffing copper, brass, aluminum die castings	3.75
CR220	Chrome Rouge for color buffing steel, stainless steel, chrome	3.75
AW230	For color buffing copper, brass, aluminum, die castings	3.75
GR240	Rouge for gold, brass and copper	5.00

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### ANODES

PLATING SOLUTION	CATALOG NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	3x9 EACH	3x12 EACH	3x18 EACH
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Bright Copper	BC101	Copper Anodes are 1/4" thick and with hooks	\$ 8.50	\$11.50	\$17.00
Acid Copper	AC102	Same as previous	8.50	11.50	17.00
Bright Nickel	BN103	Nickel Anodes are 1/8" thick and include bags and hooks	14.00	20.00	28.00
Bright Chrome	BC104	Sawtooth Lead Anodes with hooks	8.00	10.50	16.00
Yellow Gold	AU105	Stainless Steel Anodes 1/16" thick with hooks	7.25	9.00	14.50
Silver	AG106	2x4 x 1/16" thick	Writ	l :e for pr	l ices.
		2x8 x 1/16" thick			
Brass	CZ107	3/16" thick with hook	7.50	11.00	15.00

### PURE PLATING CHEMICALS

CHEMICAL	2 LB. PACKAGE	5 LB. PACKAGE	10 LB. PACKAGE
Boric Acid	\$ 2.30	\$ 5.50	\$10.00
Chromic Acid	4.80	11.00	20.00
Copper Cyanide	9.60	21.00	40.00
Copper Sulphate	2.50	6.00	11.00
Nickel Sulphate	8.00	18.00	34.00
Nickel Chloride	8.00	18.00	34.00
Potassium Cyanide	8.00	18.00	34.00
Potassium Carbonate	2.80	6.50	12.00
Rochelle Salts	6.00	13.50	25.00
Sodium Cyanide	5.00	11.00	20.00
Sodium Carbonate	2.50	6.00	11.00
Zinc Cyanide	8.00	18.00	34.00

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# PLATING EQUIPMENT GUIDE

120°-150°   Yes   2-4     120°-150°   Yes   2-4     130°-150°   Yes   2-4     130°-150°   Yes   2-4     110°-130°   Yes   2-5     110°-130°   Yes   2-5     110°-130°   Yes   1-2     110°-130°   Yes   1-2     110°-130°   Yes   1-2     110°-120°   Yes   1-2				AGITATION		DC AMPS		
Steel	E OF TING	TANK CONSTRUCTION	OPERATING TEMPERATURE	MOTOR ON CATHODE ROD	D.C. VOLTS	PER SQ. FT. OF SURFACE PLATED	TYPE OF ANODES	PLATING TIME FOR AVERAGE THICKNESS
PVC Lined Steel   130°-150°   Yes   2-4	de r	less ined thyle ropy	120 <sup>0</sup> -150 <sup>0</sup>	Yes	2-4	10-40	Copper	10-25 min.
Five PVC Lined Steel 105°-110° No 2-5 Polypropylene Polypropylene Polypropylene Polypropylene Steel Stainless Steel PVC Lined Steel PVC Lined Wood Polypropylene PVC Lined Steel Polypropylene PVC Lined Steel PVO Lined	ıt el	PVC Lined Steel Polyethylene Polypropylene PVC Lined Wood	130°-150°	Yes	2-4	20-50	Nickel	10-20 min.
Steel Stainless Steel PVC Lined Steel Polyptopylene	rative me	Lined ethyle propyl	105 <sup>0</sup> -110 <sup>0</sup>	Ν̈́ο	2-5	100-150	Lead with 6% Antimony	1-2 min.
PVC Lined Steel Polyethylene Polypropylene Polypropylene PVC Lined Wood  Stainless Steel Polyethylene Polypropylene	S	less ined thyle ropy	110 <sup>0</sup> -130 <sup>0</sup>	Yes	2-3	5-15	Brass 80% Copper 20% Zinc	15-30 min.
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ide PVC Lined Steel $80^0$ - $120^0$ Yes 2-6 Polyethylene Polypropylene Steel $70^0$ - $90^0$	er	Stainless Steel PVC Lined Steel Polyethylene Polyprobylene	Poom Temp. 70-90	Yes	1-2	5-15	Pure Silver	20-40 min.
Steel Room Temp. Optional 2-6 Stainless Steel 70 <sup>0</sup> -90 <sup>0</sup> Polyethylene	i de	PVC Lined Steel Polyethylene Polypropylene	-12	Yes	2-6	5-10	Stainless Steel	5-20 min.
1::0::1::1		Steel Stainless Steel Polyethylene Polypropylene	Room Temp. 70 <sup>0</sup> -90 <sup>0</sup>	Optional	2-6	20-50	Zinc	15-30 min.