

Arsenic Removal Technologies



Technology	Capital	Operations & Maintenance	Waste	Ideal pH	Remove As V+	Remove As III+	Interferent Concerns	Chemical Needed	Considerations
Graver MetSorb HMRG Media	Med	Low <i>(longer life)</i>	No	<2–8.5	✓	★★★ <i>(best in class)</i>	Low	No <i>(As III is taken up)</i>	No pretreatment necessary
Granular Ferric Oxide (GFO) / Iron Media	Med	Med	No	6.5–8.0	✓	★★	Med	Yes <i>(for bacteria & convert As III to V)</i>	Oxidation recommended; iron staining risk
Iron-Impregnated Resins	Med	Med	No	6.5–8.0	✓	★★	Med	No <i>(except to lower pH)</i>	Lower capacity; “fishy smell” due to high pH
Activated Alumina	Low	High <i>(frequent replacement)</i>	No	6.5–7.5	✓	×	High	No <i>(except to lower pH)</i>	Aluminum leaching in water, no As III uptake
Reverse Osmosis	High	High <i>(energy, waste, and pretreatment)</i>	Yes	–	✓	×	–	Yes <i>(Oxidant As III → As V, then activated carbon)</i>	Removes everything; low pH may leach old pipe buildup
Anion Resin	Med	Med <i>(continuous salt)</i>	Yes	–	✓	×	High	Yes <i>(salt)</i>	TDS impacts regeneration/may release As
Iron and Manganese Removal Medias	Med	Med <i>(may still need oxidizer)</i>	Yes	6.5–8.5	✓	✓	–	Often	Requires sufficient iron; ~40:1 iron-to-arsenic ratio



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