## Oil Water Separation. An over-view.

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## **Principles of Separation / Coalescence**

- First, oil and water are not soluble in each other. Even the so called soluble oils
- are really an emulsion not a true solution.
- Second, water is denser than oil or petroleum based solvents.
- Naturally, unless other factors interfere, oil tends to separate and float on water –
- *if given sufficient time.*
- Separation
- Separating oil or solvents from water by mechanical means involves the
- application of some basic physical principles.
- -by making the oil droplets larger (rises faster),
- - by making the flow slower(get more time to separate), or
- - by making the tank shallower (shorter average distance to rise to the surface).
- All this assumes the flow in the tank is non turbulent to prevent remixing the oil
- and water.
- Coalescence
- Coalescence means coming together.
- It refers to small oil droplets coming into contact with other droplets and
- combining to form larger drops. In the dense coalescing media used in OWS the
- process is speeded up and oil separated out quickly.





## Technology.

- Oily water is pumped into the system by a centrifugal pump/air operated
- diaphragm pump, using a self leveling floating suction device that pulls in
- large amounts of floating oil along with water.
- The oily water travels through the Oil-Water Separator where oil is separated
- by coalescing media.
- The oil rises to the top of the separator and starts floating on water surface while oil-free water moves down to the next chamber.
- Clean water rises up and flows down into the last chamber from where it exits.
- Clean water that flows out of the separator will have less than 10PPM of oil.
- The separated oil can be drained out through the PP Funnel by opening the oil drain valve.
- Optional Micro fiber and Activated Carbon filters for polishing of output water
- and On-line OIL-IN-WATER Monitor also are provided.
- Applications:
- Coolant tank tramp oil removal/Component washing solution
- cleaning/Compressor condensate water cleaning/Ship bilge water
- recycling/Rolling mill waste water.

## KleenSEP Oil Water Separator





A few installations of KleenSEP Gravity and Pressurised OWSs.





