

How is the Dry-Brik activated?

The Dry-Brik is activated by removing the foil cover. Do not remove the foil cover until you are ready to use the Dry-Brik. Once the foil cover is removed, the Dry-Brik will begin adsorbing moisture.

Is it really that important to replace the Dry-Brik every two months or is this just a gimmick to sell stuff?

The Dry-Brik performs two important functions: (1) to drive the relative humidity inside the unit to a much lower level than is possible with heat alone, and (2) to permanently trap and hold the additional moisture released from hearing instruments. It was designed to be active for 60 days, even in very humid environments, as long as the drawer or lid remains closed.

It's important to change the Dry-Brik every two months in order to ensure that it has enough adsorptive capacity to capture the moisture released from your hearing instruments. Without a proper desiccant in place, the released moisture can

just settle back on and in those instruments at the end of the 8-hour cycle.

My supplier says the Dry-Brik II will stay active for two months. How do I know?

Through testing in a variety of relative humidity conditions, the desiccant type was heavily researched—and the quantity carefully calculated—to ensure at least a two-month life expectancy for a single user operating the Dry & Store® appliance for 8 hours every night.

What is the shelf-life of Dry-Brik II?

With the foil cover intact and stored in a climate-controlled environment, a Dry-Brik II has a shelf-life of at least a year.

Can the Dry-Brik II be used in my Zephyr model?

Yes, the Dry-Brik II is compatible with all models of the Dry & Store family.

The original Dry-Brik eliminated odors. Does the Dry-Brik II also eliminate odors?

Yes. Undesirable odors are

caused by molecules of certain compounds (usually organic) that our senses find unpleasant. The millions of microscopic pores in the sorbent grab odor molecules as tightly as moisture molecules. Additionally, the Dry-Brik II contributes to the very low relative humidity in any Dry & Store model, creating an inhospitable environment for odor-causing bacteria to reproduce.

Can I recharge the Dry-Brik in my oven?

No. The temperature required to break the polar bond between the adsorbed moisture and the pores of the sorbent material is far too high and would melt the plastic.

You can dispose of used Dry-Briks in regular household trash. The plastic used in a single Dry-Brik II weighs about 0.1 oz. The average user will go through only 3 oz. of polypropylene in five years. The desiccant itself is a clay-based product so it is inert. We recommend against trying to separate the plastic from the desiccant for recycling purposes.

DRY-BRIK II HISTORY

Since the introduction of the Dry-Brik II in 2007, there have been a few iterations of the label on top. Regardless of which label you have, the contents of all four versions are the same—a powerful mol sieve desiccant. In all versions of the Dry-Brik II, the principle is the same: The Dry-Brik starts adsorbing moisture as soon as you remove the foil cover. The label does not affect the Dry-Brik function.

If you have any of the Timer styles shown at right, press the bubble to start the timer. If the red line does not start to progress within 30 minutes, press the bubble again, or simply write the date on the Dry-Brik. It's important to remember that the Timer serves only to remind you when to change the Dry-Brik. It does not affect the life of the Dry-Brik at all. The Dry-Brik is activated as soon as you remove the foil cover.

The current version of the Dry-Brik II (shown at right) has eliminated the TimeStrip in favor of a card that provides space for you to record the date that you removed the foil cover. Plan on replacing the Dry-Brik every two months.

