DLG TEST REPORT 7539

DOTLUX GmbH

HIGHFORCE

Resistance to ammonia, cleaning distance





Overview

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The ammonia resistance test was performed as a laboratory test according to the patented DLG test standard. This test is intended to determine the suitability of equipment for animal living areas to withstand the impacts of animal environments. The cleaning distance test assesses the suitability for cleaning animal living areas.

Other criteria were not tested.

Assessment - Brief Summary

The LED light "HIGHFORCE" from company DOTLUX GmbH has successfully completed the DLG test for ammonia resistance and cleaning distance.

According to this result, it can be assumed that these luminaires are resistant to the typical environmental conditions of animal living areas and that no accelerated reduction of the product lifetime will occur.

In addition, the luminaire was operated actively in the chamber for the entirety of the test. No product damage was observed here.

Furthermore, the tested cleaning distance is suitable for use in practical farms.

Table 1: Overview of results

| DLG QUALITY PROFIL | Evaluation* |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Resistance to ammonia | |
| Preservation of luminous flux | |
| Cleaning distance | |

^{*} DLG Evaluation range:

 $[\]blacksquare \blacksquare \blacksquare \text{ or better} = \text{meets, exceeds or significantly exceeds the established DLG standards,}$

 $[\]blacksquare$ = meets the legal requirements for marketability, \blacksquare = failed

The Product

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Product:

LED light "HIGHFORCEabs, HIGHFORCEnarrow, HIGHFORCEwide"

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Description and technical data

The tested LED light "HIGHFORCE" is suitable for any usage in animal housing surroundings.

Table 2: Technical data (according to manufacturer)

| | HIGHFORCEabs, HIGHFORCEnarrow, HIGHFORCEwide | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------|
| | 1,175 mm | 1,455 mm |
| Electrical connection | | |
| Voltage | 230 V | |
| Frequency | 50-60 Hz | |
| Performance | 18/22/30/43 W | 22/27/37/54 W |
| Dimension and weight | | |
| Length | 1,175 mm | 1,455 mm |
| Width | 90 mm | |
| Height | 93 mm | |
| Weight | 1.5 kg | 1.8 kg |
| Additional technical data | | |
| Number of LED modules | 1/2/3 | |
| Housing material | diffuser: translucent AC, body: dark grey ABS | |
| Colour temperature | 3,000/4,000/5,000/6,500 K | |
| Dimmable | no, Dali (optional) | |
| Light angle | lambertian/narrow/wide beam | |
| Rated luminous flux | 2,340 7,170 lm | |

The Method

Resistance to ammonia

The ammonia resistance of the LED light "HIGHFORCE" was determined by a laboratory test with four single luminaires according to the patented DLG test standard for agricultural use. The laboratory test is designed to replicate the conditions of a usage period of about 10 years exposure to animal living areas.

The test was carried out in a climate chamber under the following climate conditions:

| Test duration | 1500 h |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Air temperature | 70 °C |
| Relative humidity | 70 % |
| Ammonia concentration | 750 ppm |

For assessing the ammonia resistance, each luminaire was examined visually, gravimetrically and the plastic parts additionally through measurement of the hardness (Shore D) before and after the climate testing. The luminaires have additionally been following a cycle of operation predefined by DLG (3 hours on, 1 hour off) in order to eveluate any thermal impacts caused by switch-on and -off procedures during ammonia fumigation.

In order to avoid overheating (> 70 °C), the luminaires could be operated at a reduced power level during the testing period.

Cleaning distance

During test bench examinations of the mechanical resistance to high-pressure cleaners, the minimum cleaning distance was determined.

The minimum cleaning distance is defined as the distance between nozzle and surface when no damages can be observed at the housing surface.

The test was conducted under the conditions presented in table 3.

Table 3: Test conditions cleaning distance

| Line pressure | ~150 bar |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Water | cold, approx. 1,000 l/h, no detergents |
| Nozzle type | Flat spray nozzle, 25° |
| Exposition time | 1 minute |
| Distance | 200 mm, 150 mm, 100 mm, 50 mm |
| Ambient temperature | 1020°C |

For the approval of all luminaires in table 2, the LED light "HIGHFORCE" in length of 1,455 mm has been used. After the tests, the luminaires underwent visual examination to a reference sample that was identical in construction.

The Test Results in Detail

Resistance to ammonia

Visual test

The comparative visual examination after the ammonia exposure has shown minor discolorations at the luminaire housing.

During the test, the tube light appeared to be sufficiently gas-tight. Nevertheless it cannot be ruled out, that a limited ammount of ammonium compounds could enter the luminaire housing. Again, no negative impact on the luminaire performance needs to be expected.

The defects are rated as insignificant. The examination of the manufacturer's mounting parts didn't also show any defects.

Gravimetric test

Weight comparisions before and after the ammonia fumigation have not shown any measurable increases or decreases in weight.

Hardness test

During the hardness test (Shore D) no measurable changes were observed. All determined changes were within the measurement incertainty.

Functional test

No defects were observed. All luminaires worked after the conducted tests.

Preservation of the luminous flux

After completion of the test the luminaire still had a luminous flux of 87.5 %.

Based on the results of these tested parameters, the luminaire is evaluated as resistant to ammonia.

Cleaning distance

Even at a cleaning distance of only 10 cm, no damages to the luminaire could be observed.

At no time a water ingress into the luminaires was noticed.

In order to avoid damage to the luminaires during cleaning reliably, according to the manufacturer's specifications a minimum cleaning distance of 10 cm should always be ensured.

Summary

The results show that the LED light "HIGHFORCE" fulfills the testing requirements for ammonia resistance and cleaning distance and thus receives the test mark DLG-Approved. It can be expected that the luminaire is resistant to ammonical air in animal living areas and that no accelerated reduction of the product lifetime occurs.

The LED light "HIGHFORCE" was operated both passively and actively during the ammonia fumigation in the test chamber and passed both tests successfully.

It is also recommended in any case to keep a minimum distance of 10 cm during cleaning.

Further information

Testing agency

DLG TestService GmbH, Gross-Umstadt location, Germany The tests are conducted on behalf of DLG e.V.

DLG test framework

DLG-APPROVED Test "Ammonia resistance" (current as of 03/2021)

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The HIGHFORCE was tested for the first time in 2019 and in the same year the test results were published in the DLG test report 7021. Re-certification was applied for in 2025. Due to a change in the DLG test framework, the luminaire was subjected to a re-measurement and passed again. According to the manufacturer, the HIGHFORCE will be sold unchanged in the originally tested version.

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