

The flow rate of the CeraMetix (WRFLAR) Open Both Ends or candle ceramic filter cartridge can be easily renewed by simply brushing its outer surface with a plastic brush or soft scouring pad (3M Scotch-Brite with the Green Mesh) under running water. As the top layer of ceramic and the contaminants are brushed off and flushed away, a new layer becomes available. These filter cartridges should be changed every 6-9 months as their carbon media will get exhausted sooner than the ceramic outer layer.

- Carefully open and remove filter cartridge from the unit and handle it as any semi-fragile ceramic.
- Using a soft plastic brush or soft scouring pad (3M Scotch-Brite or similar), scrub the filter under running water or in a bowl of water. Always brush away from threaded mount, taking care not to contaminate the inside of the filter cartridge. Never use soap, detergents nor steel wool.
- Be sure that sealing washer/s is properly seated before reinstalling it. Use a drop or two of vegetable oil to lubricate the rubber washer or O ring.

ONLY, if you accidentally drop the filter, carefully examine and make certain it did not break and to ensure the integrity of the filter, do the following test:

1. First, the filter needs to be air dried for at least 24 hours.
2. Submerge it into water container while holding a finger over the outlet or a palm of your hand over both ends to keep the air inside.
3. If there is a crack the trapped air will exit through it and you will see bubbles indicating a crack and the need for a replacement.
4. Remember, this test is ONLY if you have dropped the filter cartridge.

Suggestions: Wear rubber gloves when cleaning. If cleaning a candle style filter, cover the threaded mount with plastic and a rubber band.