



Astell are proud to manufacture highly customisable autoclaves that are built-to-order. This enables us to meet any challenges that your facility or sterilisation requirements present. This technical data sheet provides you with a range of measurements and specifications from previous ASB290 models. Our Sales and Technical teams will provide you with the precise specification of your autoclave after consultation.

1. ASB290 GENERAL OVERVIEW

Sterilisation Temperature Range	From 100 to 138 (°C)
Sterilisation Pressure Range	From 20 to 240 (kPa) From 0.2 to 2.4 (bar)
Volume	290 (L)
Number of Doors	1
Standard Steam Source	In-chamber water heating element
Power of Standard Steam Source	TBC (kW)
Fitted Vacuum System	Optional

These are the base options. Steam and vacuum system upgrades are available for most Astell Autoclaves. Ask your sales person for more info.



A typical ASB290

2. THE AUTOCLAVE CHAMBER

The autoclave chamber is the active site of sterilisation in the autoclave. Objects requiring sterilisation must be placed in the autoclave chamber.

		Dimensions
	Width	600 (mm)
	Height	600 (mm)
	Depth	1017 (mm)
Loading Height		TBC (mm)
Chamber Volume		290 (L)
Chamber Finish		Bead Blasted

CHAMBER SIZE AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY CONSIDERATIONS

Steam sterilises surfaces most efficiently by direct contact. Ensuring objects in the chamber do not touch maximises this effect. Plan your autoclave loads with objects closely spaced, but not touching.

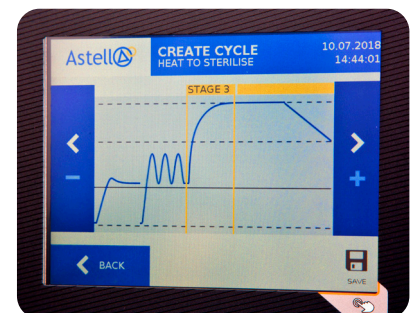
An autoclave is most energy efficient when loaded to capacity. Select an autoclave chamber that will be loaded to capacity when run. A twin-chambered Duoclave can help accommodate more varied load frequencies.

Optimal efficiency can be achieved through load validation; an optional service to produce replicable chamber configurations and sterilisation cycles designed to user-specified loads and individual autoclaves.

3. THE TOUCH-SCREEN CONTROL COMPUTER

The simple to use Astell C70 Touch-Screen Controller is fitted as standard to all Astell autoclaves. This powerful device provides flexibility and customisation to the autoclave user, allowing them to easily create and store up to 50 different sterilisation programs. As standard, the C70 Controller includes:

Sterilisation Program Storage Capacity	50 Programs
Cycle Data Storage Capacity	5000 Cycles
Screen Size	5.7"
USB Ports for Remote Data Archiving	1
Password Protection	Yes
Live Data Feedback	Yes
Multilingual	Yes



Creating a new sterilisation cycle program on the C70 Touch-Screen Control Computer.

YOU WILL NEED

The autoclave has a number of requirements that must be catered for prior to installation. These are: an adequate route between the delivery and installation sites, physical space for the installation, the correct connection points for the appropriate quality of water and electricity, and a suitable drainage connection. Some autoclaves also require compressed air and a steam supply. Read this section carefully and ensure all the requirements can be met prior to ordering your autoclave.

6. SPACE FOR THE AUTOCLAVE

		Dimensions
	Width	902 (mm)
	Height	1420 (mm)
	Depth	1440 (mm)
Footprint / Area		1.3 (m ²)
Clearance Space		500 (mm)
Dry Weight		392.5 (kg)

It is recommended that a gap of 500mm is left around the autoclave for maintenance and utilities access.

A route capable of bearing the size and weight of the autoclave must be available between the delivery and installation site. If such a route is unavailable, discuss the construction of an autoclave that can be bisected with Astell.

Remember to leave space for any options you select that are physically external to the autoclave, such as an external air compressor, water softener, or blowdown vessel.

		Water Softener	External Air Compressor	Blowdown Vessel
	Width	250 (mm)	400 (mm)	345 (mm)
	Height	500 (mm)	460 (mm)	1050 (mm)
	Depth	440 (mm)	670 (mm)	335 (mm)

7. A CLEAN WATER SUPPLY

Water Type	Mains Water
Maximum Water Hardness	50 (ppm)
Water pH	pH 7
Maximum Water Temperature	25 (°C)

Is your water quality outside the specification given above? Astell can supply an external water softener to reduce the hardness and pH of your mains water to acceptable levels. Please see the table to the right for an overview of the water softener's installation requirements.

		Water Softener
	Unit Width	250 (mm)
	Unit Height	500 (mm)
	Unit Depth	440 (mm)
Installation Location		Adjacent to drain AND adjacent to autoclave
Water Input Via		Washing machine inlet hose with Ø 3/4" compression fittings
Minimum Water Input Pressure		1.5 (bar)
Maximum Water Input Pressure		6 (bar)
Water Output Via		Washing machine inlet hose with Ø 3/4" compression fittings
Drain Connection		Via 2 hoses (Ø 1/2" & Ø 3/8") inserted into a floor drain or standpipe drain
Additional Requirements		Water input via a 3-valve bypass system with Ø 3/4" compression fittings

Water Enters The Autoclave Via	a water jug, filled from a tap
Minimum Water Flow Rate	0 (L/min)
Maximum Water Flow Rate	Infinity (L/min)

Water flow rates and pressures that are above the maximum can be reduced to acceptable levels by fitting a valve to your water supply. If required, ask a plumber to do this before installing your autoclave.

YOU WILL NEED

8. ADEQUATE DRAINAGE

Drainpipe Material	Copper
Drainpipe Diameter	Ø 35 (mm)
Maximum Drain Height	650 (mm) above floor
Drainpipe Connections	Between Autoclave and Main Building Drain Only
Required Features of Drainage System	Venting

If your drainpipe is not made of copper, ask Astell if they can build an autoclave designed for the drains you have.

Most buildings have a vent stack to stop gas pressure build-ups. If your main drain does not have a vent stack, you may need another means for pressurised steam to escape from your drain. For example, drainage components such as an air gap, tundish, or vent pipe can work. Ask Astell or your plumber for more information.

A water softener has drainage requirements that are additional to those of the autoclave. If you are fitting a water softener, review the water softener drain requirements in section 5.

9. ELECTRICITY

	Electrical Requirement
Maximum Voltage	440 (V)
Maximum Wattage	16 (kW)
Maximum Frequency	60 (hz)
Standard Amperage	38 (A)

	Single	Three
AC Phases		Available

A single phase autoclave can usually be plugged into a standard mains socket whereas a three phase autoclave will need to be fitted to an electrical isolator box or commando plug and socket. Plugs and sockets not supplied. Contact Astell or your electrician for more information.

10. COMPRESSED AIR

Some of our autoclaves require a compressed air supply to power features such as door seals and movement pneumatics, air ballast, and advanced vacuum systems. As standard, Astell autoclaves are supplied without an air compressor, allowing you to use an on-site air compressor. Astell can supply air compressors compatible with the autoclave requirements; ask your sales representative for more information.

	Air Supply for Air Ballast	Air Supply for simple or advanced vacuum
Connecting Airline Hose Size	Ø TBC (mm)	Ø TBC (mm)
Peak Air Flow Rate	100 (L / min)	TBC (L / min)
Peak Air Pressure	TBC (bar)	TBC (bar)

If you are providing your own air supply, you must also provide connections with pneumatic regulators set for the air flow rates, pressures, and connecting hose sizes for each requirement outlined here.

SERVICES

11. DELIVERY

Astell equipment is sold ex works. For your convenience, Astell will arrange a specialist equipment haulier at cost on your behalf. Alternatively, you may elect to arrange haulage from our headquarters; please instruct our sales team if this is the case.

12. CALIBRATION

All Astell autoclaves are fully tested and calibrated before despatch in line with our Quality Management System procedures ISO9001-2015. If you require traceable calibration, Astell can provide UKAS certified calibration when building and testing your autoclave - ask your sales representative for more information. All calibrations will be set to 121°C unless you specify otherwise during your order



Astell can provide UKAS Certified Calibration and Load Validation as optional extras - Ask your sales rep for more info.

13. VALIDATION PROTOCOLS

Astell Services can support validation protocols in a variety of settings. The packages we provide can include Installation Qualification (IQ), Operational Qualification (OQ), Performance. Qualification (PQ), and Design Qualification (DQ). Talk to your sales representative about the validation protocols you require.

FOR CUSTOMERS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, THE FOLLOWING SERVICES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE:

14. MULTIPOINT LOAD VALIDATION

Astell recommends that the optional Installation Service is purchased with your order. Our highly experienced installation team will take care of final positioning and connections to utilities, as per the requirements outlined in the “You Will Need” section of this document and in later documentation provided by Astell must be in place prior to the installation team arriving. If the installation site does not meet the requirements outlined in this document, you may incur additional costs and delays to your installation. Ask your sales representative about Astell Installation Services.

15. LOAD VALIDATION

When you add load validation to your purchase, an Astell Service Engineer will work with your on-site team to create archetypal autoclave loads, and test them in your autoclave to make sure they sterilise throughout in the most efficient manner. You will receive a report detailing the validation results, and showing the autoclave users how to replicate the autoclave load setup as to reproduce the validated sterilisation cycle. Astell Scientific is an UKAS accredited laboratory, and the validation provided is traceable to national standards. Discuss load validation with your sales representative.

16. PLANNED PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

Astell Maintenance ensures that your autoclave is regularly inspected, serviced, and maintained with official parts by a qualified Astell Service Engineer. Speak to your sales representative about building a maintenance contract tailored to your autoclave use.

STANDARDS

17. APPLICABLE STANDARDS

Astell autoclaves are manufactured in accordance with the following standards:

- PED 2014/68/EU
- ISO 17025:2017 (UKAS)
- ISO9001:2015
- 21CFR11 (when optional functionality is fitted)
- BS2646
- EN285

(Manufacturing to other standards is available on request)

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