



Hurco LiquiSmoke Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What is smoke testing?

A. Smoke testing is used to locate leaks in residential pipes and sewer pipelines.

Q. My home or business is having a smoke test done. If smoke enters my residence what will happen?

A. Hurco LiquiSmoke is laboratory tested and completely safe and non-toxic. There are NO harmful chemicals in this product. If you are seeing smoke in your home or business, you should be concerned with what invisible potentially hazardous sewer gases are also in the home. Hurco LiquiSmoke does not leave ANY residue behind so it will not stain your furniture or clothing and will not affect electronics or other household items. If you would like a copy of the test results send a request to info@hurcotech.com or call us at 800-888-1436.

Q. During a smoke test some liquid spilled, will it stain?

A. In the LIQUID form it can stain. To clean use a Dawn and warm water solution and some scrubbing and it should come clean. On tough stains a pressure washer with the soap solution can be used, test the pressure washer on an inconspicuous area first.

Q. Will the smoke set off smoke alarms?

A. Yes, it can set off smoke alarms in large concentrations. If you are setting off alarms, you likely have a major leak. In this instance turn off the machine, open the windows and doors and air out the room. Our PowerSmoker2 (PS2) is built to expel the carbon monoxide through the smokestack or clean out rather than the room being used in. Fix the leak before continuing the smoke test.

Q. Can scents or colors be added to the smoke?

A. No. Adding scents or colors will change the chemical composition. This may cause the product to become hazardous or not burn correctly.

Q. Someone in my home or business has lung or breathing problems, will the smoke cause any problems for them?

A. Hurco LiquiSmoke is laboratory tested and non-toxic. Although the smoke is non-toxic it is still a smoke product and could irritate airways. The person with the breathing problems should try to be elsewhere during the test. There should be little smoke in the residence if there are no leaks. If there is a lot of smoke, there is a large leak. When there are large amounts of smoke in a residence that means there is potentially hazardous sewer gases traveling with that smoke, and likely have been in the home prior to the smoke test. Open windows and doors and exit the home.

Q. How long has smoke testing been around?

A. For decades! It's a widely used method to help plumbers and cities quickly locate issues in plumbing and sewer mains. We've been making our smoke testing products since the 90s.