## **COOK & CHILL PROCESS LINES**

SOUPS and GRAVIES

PASTA and RICE





## COOK & CHILL SYSTEM

#### What is it?

It is an innovative, easy-to-manage food preparation system that guarantees outstanding results.

The traditional kitchen set-up, also referred to as a hot-hot system, envisages COOKING and immediate DELIVERY of the dishes. However, with the cook and chill system, the food is still prepared in a conventional manner but it then undergoes rapid chilling, up to 10°C in the centre of the food product within about 90 minutes after cooking, to then be stored and distributed.

#### **The Procedure**

The production process is made up of several steps:

- 1. Cooking (Cook): the centre of the food product reaches a temperature of 75°C or above for at least 10 minutes
- 2. Measuring out
- 3. Chilling (Chill): the centre of the food product reaches a temperature 10°C or less within 90 minutes after the end of cooking
- 4. Storage
- 5. Transportation
- 6. Reheating

#### "What are the benefits of the C&C system?"

• Streamlining of work processes:

\_ The process of food production no longer depends on meal times, therefore it can be spread evenly throughout the day and week, avoiding busy and quiet periods typically connected with these times.

\_ The processing can also be done according to type of dish, by planning to cook similar products on the same day that results in maximising the productivity of each machine.

- Efficient usage of raw materials: reduced raw material wastage, optimisation of supplies and stock, and production of semi-finished products.
- Optimal usage of equipment: it is possible to make the best use of the equipment available thanks to fewer cooking cycles.
- Food products produced with the cook and chill system have greater nutritional and organoleptic qualities than those
  produced with the hot-hot system.
- Healthiness of the product: bacterial growth at temperatures between +10°C and +65°C is reduced to a minimum due to the rapid temperature drop.
- It extends product life without the addition of preservatives.

### RAW MATERIALS

The **raw materials** come by Europe and North America.

### **PRODUCTION 100 employees** in production plant and offices.

**INNOVATION** High efficiency and innovative products design.

### COOKING SYSTEMS

**30.000 equipment** running around the world in more than 55 countries.



# **COOK & CHILL PROCESS LINE**

To meet the growing demands for ready meals, Firex responds with a three step process. The Firex cook, fill, chill process. Perfect for soups and gravies, the Firex cook, chill, fill process is available on Fixpan, Cucimax, High-P and Baskett models.

Big restaurant chains, central kitchens, food industries, school food service... are some of our customers using Firex Process Line equipment for soups and gravies.

Available in gas, electric or steam heating version, our system lines are suitable from 100 to 500 liters per hours.

Our process has been designed to be versatile and flexible thanks to the possibility of a wide **range** of cooking equipment: stationary kettles, mixing kettles, pressure cookers...

The **high standard quality** of every item and the **friendly technologies** respect the Firex tradition in food processing equipment. Firex...efficient, reliable, advanced technology, sustainability.

## **READY MEALS IN JUST 3 STEPS**

How does it works?

raised and surrounded with

motorized system.

AUTOMATIC	STEP 1 – COOKING
	The process starts cooking the product in a cooker like Baskett mixing kettle or Cuci- max pressure braising pan.
FILLING AND SEA	STEP 2 – FILLING
	The product is transferred hot from the cooker to the filler thanks to a dedicated pump. The soup can be put into spe- cial plastic bags or container of different capacities, depen- ding on customer requirement, then sealed.
COOLING	STEP 3 – COOLING
	Hot soup bags go into a chil- led water tank to be cooled. The bags should be laying in pull-out baskets so that their thickness remain uniform and in order to increase the cooling surface and reduce the cooling time. The baskets systems is raised and aurounded with



### **Process plant example for** 100-200 kg/h

- 01 External chilling unit 02 Mixing kettle (130 lt)
- 03 Filling station
- 04 Sealing station
- 05 Bags chiller

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### **Process plant example for** 400-800 kg/h

01 External chilling unit 02 Mixing kettle (500lt) 03 Filling station 04 Sealing station 05 Bags chiller

### MAIN FEATURES

Cooker available in steam, electric or gas heating. Double-jacket or direct heating. Cooking vessel in stainless steel AISI 316. Cooking programs settable

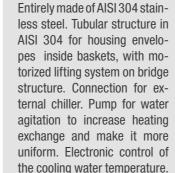
by electronic card. Electronic control on cooking temperature, time, tilting, mixing, safety. Washout valve for pumping system connection. Capacity from 30 to 600 lt.

#### LING STATION

COOKER

### MAIN FEATURES

Trolley transfer pumps in stainless steel AISI 316. Filler in AISI 316 available in different sizes and capacities.



MAIN FEATURES



Composed by 3 parts, Firex cook and chill **pasta and rice process** responds to the rising requests of serving pasta in **cold chain**.

**Restaurant chains, central kitchens, food industries, school food service**... are some of our customers using Firex process line for pasta and rice.

Available in gas, electric or steam heating version, our cook&chill lines are suitable from 500 to 1800 portions per hours.

Our process has been designed to be really **flexible** thanks to its **mobile** chilling vats.

The high standard quality of every items and the friendly technologies respect the Firex tradition in food processing equipment.

# **READY MEALS IN JUST 3 STEPS**

How does it works?

AUTOMATIC	STEP 1 – COOKING
	The product in hot water is cooked with salt in around 6 minutes. After cooking time the basket lifts automatically to draining position. Now the products is ready to be cooled down.
MOBILE CHILI	STEP 2 – COOLING
	The chilling vat can be con- nected to net or refrigerated water. The cooling time is around 3-4 minutes and the final product temperature is 3°C higher than water tem- perature. During cooling time a pumping system moves the pasta in order to get the best result. Now the product is re- ady for step 3.
INSULATED 1	STEP 3 – STORAGE
-	The chilled product can be

moved with our serving trolley and portioned in GN containers or in bowls for frozen ready meals. After that it must be stored in cold room and regenerated upon request.



#### **COOKER**



#### MAIN FEATURES

Cooker available in steam, electric or gas heating. Single or double cooking vat. Cooking vessel and baskets in stainless steel AISI 316. Baskets lifting and tilting automatically (even with closed lid) stopping in dripping position and removable for cleaning operations. Automatic filling and refilling of water in the vat. Electronic control on cooking temperature, time, lifting, safety.

#### LING VAT

**TROLLEY** 



#### MAIN FEATURES

Mobile chilling vat. Cooling vessel and baskets in stainless steel AISI 316. Baskets lifting and tilting motorized and removable for cleaning operations. Manual tap for water filling in the vat. Overflow device.

#### MAIN FEATURES

Entirely made of AISI 304 stainless steel. Insulated basins, pressed with rayed edges and with a drain equipped with ball wash-out valve. Dimensions suitable for GN 1/1 h.200 containers. 4 pivoting wheels.

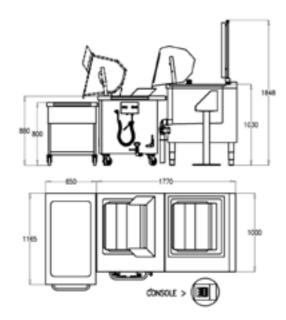
## HOURLY PRODUCTIVITY FOR COOK & CHILL PROCESS

PASTA SHAPE	DRY PASTA CHARGE INTO COOKER								
	CPM 1-18		CPM 2-18		CPM 1-24		CPM 2-24		
	batch	hour	batch	hour	batch	hour	batch	hour	
long-cut	18 kg	45 kg	36 kg	90 kg	24 kg	60 kg	48 kg	120	
short-cut	20 kg	50 kg	40 kg	100	30 kg	120	60 kg	150	

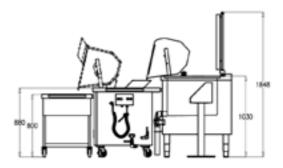
PROCESSING TIMES	
Loading time	5
Precooking time	6
Cooling time	3
Cooking water temperature reinstating	10
Total batch time	24
n. batch/hour	2,5

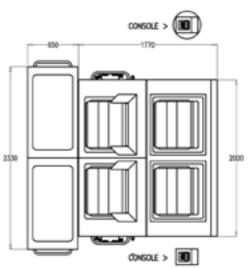


Mod. LPC...1-18 500 - 700 portions/hour

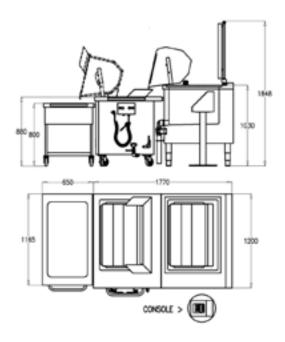


Mod. LPC...2-18 | 1000 - 1400 portions/hour

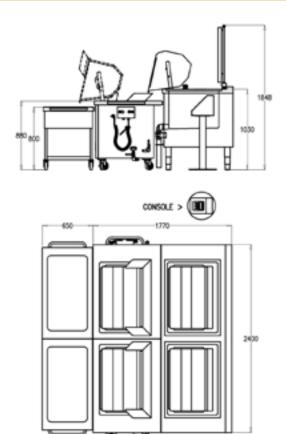




#### Mod. LPC...1-24 700 - 900 portions/hour



#### Mod. LPC...2-24 1400 - 1800 portions/hour



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Firex is a manufacturer with a worldwide sales network.

We have been realized cooking systems for food industries and large kitchens for 40 years.

Firex projects and realises Energy and resources saving appliances.

Firex chooses the best raw materials and checks all production steps by quality management system.



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