	Chlorine Dioxide Gas	Ethylene Oxide
Carcinogen Status	Non-carcinogenic	Carcinogen
Explosivity	Non-explosive	Explosive
Antimicrobial Classification	Sterilant	Sterilant
Pre-Conditioning Requirements	Typically, 90 minutes or less  No heat is necessary 65% relative humidity	Typically, 12-72 hours  Product and packaging must withstand 118°F (47°C) 65% relative humidity
Type of Cycle	Vacuum or Ambient	Vacuum
Necessary Cycle Parameters	Humidification Gas Concentration Total Dosage	Heat Moisture Gas Concentration Time
Aeration Requirements	Occurs <b>within</b> the chamber  Minutes in length	Requires separate aeration rooms  Aeration in highly heated environments of 50-60°C lasts <b>8-12 hours</b> Aeration in environments of 20°C last <b>7 days</b>
Residuals	No residuals detected	Higher concentrations increase the risk for residuals

