

COMPARISON

Above and Below Ground Concrete Tank

EVERSTORE® Glass Fused-to-Steel Tank

VS

High capital investment

Lower capital investment

Construction specific,
unknown life cycle cost.

Proven, excellent life cycle cost.

Below Ground:
Out of site, out of mind
Unknown contaminant exposure into tank
Water loss through cracks

Above ground, positive containment:
Easy to view and inspect
Minimal contaminant exposure
No loss through cracks (glass sealed floor)

Permeable concrete -
chemical coatings required,
ongoing maintenance, limited flexibility
and durability.

Factory applied quality controlled coatings -
never repaint / recoat again.

Concrete fractures with
minor differential settlement

Steel tolerates differential settlement with
no negative effects +/- 100mm.

Significant demolition costs.

Maintains capital value and can be
relocated with minimal scrap.

Rough, uneven concrete surface
attracts build-up.

Smooth inert glass surface resists build-up

Increased pumping/maintenance costs

Head pressures can be used

Chlorine treatment is very hard on the
concrete coatings and reinforcement.

Glass and sealant not adversely
effected by chlorine.

Increasing capacity requires significant
engineering, added costs and
project modifications.

EVERSTORE® tanks can expand
vertically with no change in footprint.

Significant engineering required for tank
changes and accessories.

Easily adaptable using bolted connections
to add baffles, mixing systems and equipment.

Poor soils and/or high water, significantly
increase foundation costs.

Foundation designed for any soil condition,
Glass fused-to-steel floor adapts well to
differential settlement.

Concrete needs repainting, difficult to clean.

Graffiti and debris easily wiped or washed off.

Spalling, cracking failures are difficult to
remedy long-term.

Individual plate replacement and minor
patches are quick, easy and provide a long life.

Static dead spots in corners.

No dead spots due to round shape.