Recommended washing, handling and sterilization instructions for ROCKMED Instruments

Instruments are not sterile upon receipt and must be sterilised before use in accordance with the following instructions.

Remove all packaging prior to cleaning and sterilization. Alkaline and acidic detergents can cause damage to the instruments. Always use a pH neutral detergent or solution. Do not exceed 160°C.

Cleaning Instructions

Remove any excess oil with a disposable paper towel.

Manual

Brush using a neutral cleaning agent and ensure that the instrument is cleaned thoroughly on all surfaces and joints. Rinse under clean running water for 3 minutes. Repeat full process if necessary. Dry using a paper towel.

Automatic

Use only validated washing machines and validated cleaning agents suitable for the instruments and washing machine. When removing the instruments from the washing machines please check for cleanliness and repeat the cycle if necessary. Check for any damage or corrosion. Cutting edges should be free of defects and ensure that detachable tips are secure. Always lubricate joints and hinges before sterilisation.

Please note: Instruments left standing wet may corrode! Dry using a paper towel or dry heat not exceeding 160°C.

Sterilisation

Instruments should be loaded into perforated instrument trays or general purpose sterilisation trays ensuring the cutting edges are not in contact with the trays to avoid damaging the cutting surfaces. When sterilising more than one instrument care should be taken to prevent the instruments from touching as this may cause damage or corrosion.

The UK Department of Health recommends that validated, pre-vacuum autoclaves are used for sterilising wrapped instruments. Autoclaves drawing only a post sterilisation vacuum for drying purposes are not suitable for processing wrapped instruments.

Use only validated vacuum autoclaves Do not exceed 160°C.

Do not exceed the manufacturers stated maximum load.

Additional information

Validated ultrasonic baths may be used with validated cleaning agents. Follow instructions for use issued by the equipment and cleaning agent manufacturer.

It remains the responsibility of the reprocessor to ensure that the reprocessing has actually achieved the desired result. This normally requires validation and routine monitoring of the process. Any deviation by the reprocessor from these instructions should be properly evaluated for effectiveness.

Warranty & Repair

Rockmed Instruments are warranted to be free of defects in material and workmanship for 3 years; this covers breakage and joint failure under correct clinical use. Mis-use, abuse or failure to maintain or care for instruments properly will void warranty claims

Please note: Box joints should be lubricated with a medical grade lubricant before sterilisation.

Our sole responsibility will be, at its own discretion, to repair, replace or credit the instrument in the event of any claimed defects. We will sharpen free of charge, within 1 year of purchase, any cutter which fails to cut the intended wire size. Adherence to recommended cleaning, sterilisation and lubrication practices will help ensure optimum instrument performance. Cutting instruments that are used frequently should be reconditioned regularly.

Warranty does not cover routine maintenance, sharpening, repairing minor tip damage or reconditioning. Warranty claims or service requests should be forwarded to your distributor.

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