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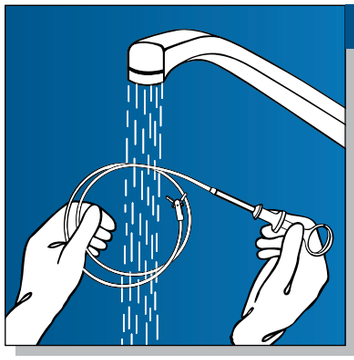
CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

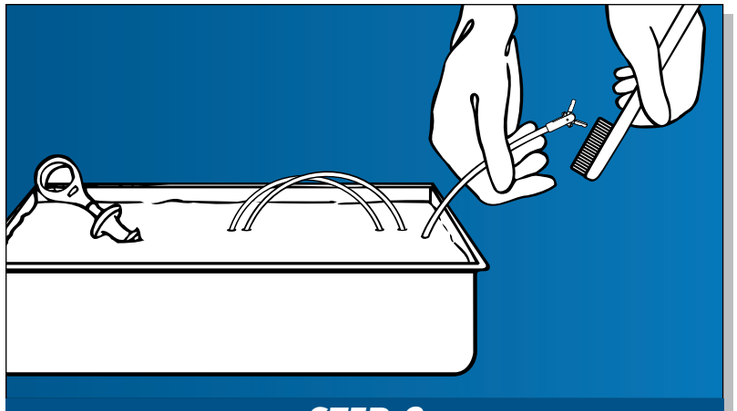


STEP 1

Immediately after use, submerge the device in a solution of warm water and enzymatic cleaner. Soak for a minimum of 20 minutes. ***Note:*** When submerging the forceps, insert the cups into the liquid first and slowly advance the cable into the fluid.

STEP 2

Beginning at the handle and working to the tip, wipe the device with a textured cloth soaked in enzymatic solution. ***Caution:*** Stretching the cable when wiping the Maxum will adversely affect the performance of the forceps.

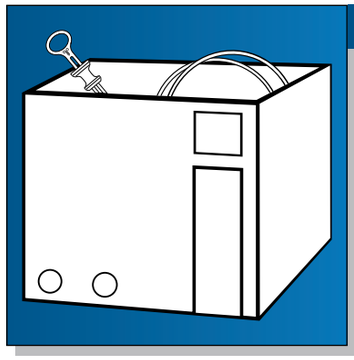


STEP 3

With the cups open, gently brush all cup surfaces and the hinges with a soft nylon bristle brush.

STEP 4

Remove forceps from solution. Beginning at the handle, thoroughly rinse the handle, cable and cups with copious amounts of clean, warm running water. ***Note:*** Thorough physical cleaning to remove all foreign matter prior to ultrasonic cleaning is essential to prolong the performance characteristics of the forceps.

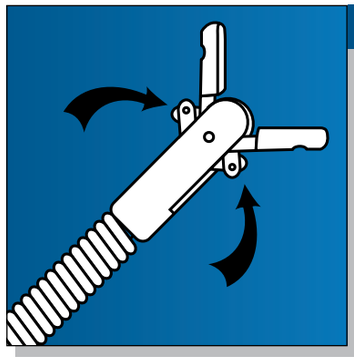


STEP 5

Ultrasonically clean forceps, with the cups open, for a minimum of 15 minutes at 25°C (77°F) per the ultrasonic cleaner manufacturer's instructions. ***Caution:*** Do not allow the forceps to dry between physical cleaning and placing in the ultrasonic cleaner.

STEP 6

After removing forceps from the ultrasonic cleaner, thoroughly rinse with clean water. Then rinse the forceps in 70% ethyl alcohol to facilitate the drying of the inner drive cable. Gently wipe the forceps dry with a lint-free cloth. Air dry the forceps by hanging for a minimum of three hours, or use medical grade (oil free) forced air along the cable and around the handle and cups.

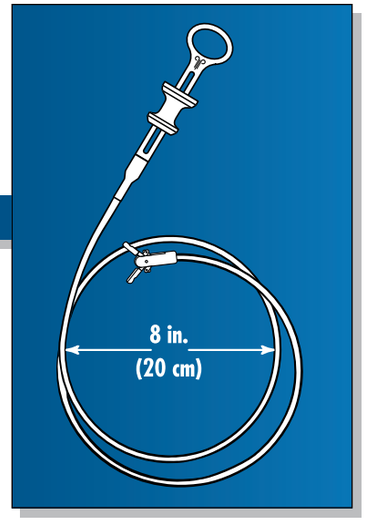


STEP 7

Lightly lubricate the forceps hinges with medical grade silicone lubricant to help maintain the performance characteristics.

STEP 8

Loosely coil the forceps in a minimum 8 inch (20 cm) diameter and package for sterilization following AAMI recommended practices.*



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DISINFECTING AND STERILIZING PARAMETERS

DISINFECTING

HIGH LEVEL DISINFECTION

1. Complete steps 1-6 in cleaning section.
2. Remove all excess liquid and submerge, cups first, into a gluteraldehyde disinfectant.
3. Soak following the time guidelines provided by disinfectant manufacturer.
4. Upon removal of the forceps from the disinfectant, ***rinse thoroughly with clean running water.***
5. Follow steps 7-9 in the cleaning section.

STERILIZING

ETO CYCLE PARAMETERS

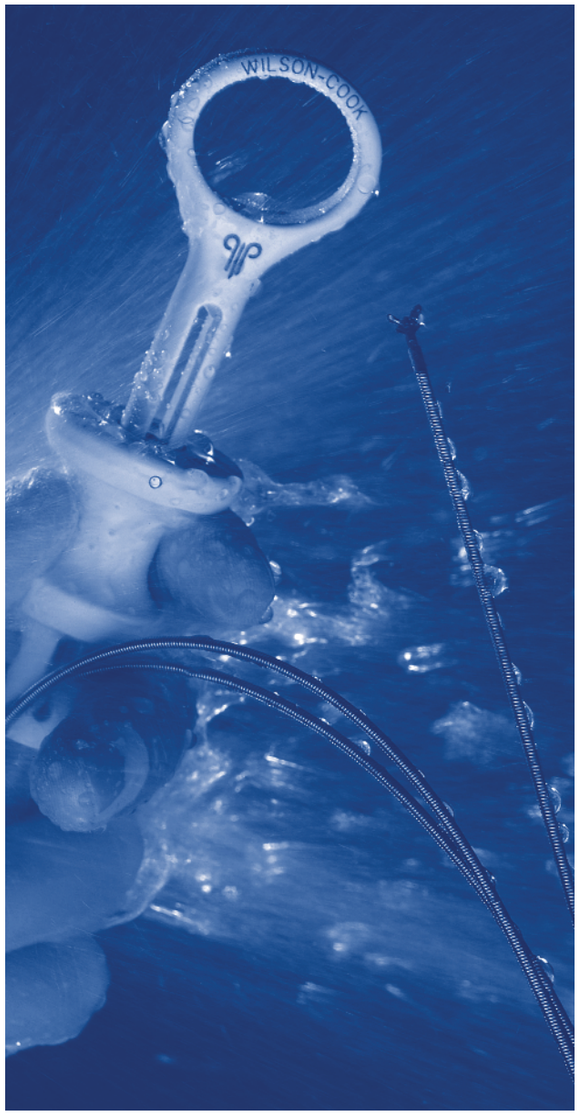
PARAMETER	SET POINT
Prevacuum Pressure	2.0 psia (-25.9" Hg Vac)
Relative Humidity	60% RH
Humidity Dwell	20 minutes
Chamber Temperature	54.4°C (130°F)
Exposure Pressure	To Be Determined[1]
Exposure Dwell	2 hours
ETO Concentration	600 mg/L
Post Vacuums	3
Post Vacuum Pressure	2.0 psia (-25.9" Hg Vac)
Air Wash[2]	5 minutes
Aeration Temperature	54.4°C (130°F)
Aeration Dwell	12 hours
Air Changes During Aeration	90 per hour

[1]To be calculated by the institution to achieve an ETO concentration of 600 mg/L.

[2]Repetitive vacuums from ambient pressure to 13.7 psia over 5 minutes.

AUTOCLAVE CYCLE PARAMETERS

PARAMETER	SET POINT
Cycle Type	Prevacuum
Prevacuum Pressure	2.5 psia (-24.8" Hg Vac)
Chamber Exposure Temperature	134°C (273.2°F)
Chamber Exposure Pressure	41.8 psia (27.1 psig)
Exposure Dwell	5 minutes



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