

Do Not Use Ultrasonic Washer Function

To whom it may concern

## RE: Aesculap AdTec Bipolar Laparoscopic Instruments



## Do not use ultrasonic cleaning methods with these products

Please note that all AdTec bipolar laparoscopic instruments should be machine washed, **without ultrasonic function**, in a thermo washer disinfector compatible to CFPP 01-01 Part D (HTM 2030) recommendations and should be subjected to a cleaning phase of 75 degrees Celsius and a disinfecting phase of between 90 to 95 degrees Celsius.

Chemistries used in this phase should be of a pH between 7.0 to 11.0. Please note, extended exposure to higher pH levels will result in damage to the surface of this device.

As the AdTec bipolar laparoscopic instruments can be taken apart, it is recommended that this should be done during the washing and disinfecting stage of the decontamination process



Please ensure that the washer ultrasonic feature, it is disabled to avoid damage to the ceramic insulation in the instrument jaws. Always use the protective caps provided.

Sterilisation should follow CFPP 01-01 Part C (HTM 2010) recommendations. The AdTec bipolar laparoscopic instruments can be sterilised between 134 to 137 degrees Celsius for a minimum holding time of three minutes to comply with the UK regulations.

The AdTec bipolar laparoscopic instruments should be reassembled before sterilisation. We recommend that, wherever possible, the instruments should be reassembled and stored in the Aesculap laparoscopic instrument rack, to afford maximum protection of the instruments. (Storage rack optional. Further information available on request)

Aesculap develops and produces medical devices according to the European Medical Device Directive (MDD 93/42/EEC). Our compliance with these regulations is demonstrated by displaying all of our devices with the CE mark, and all products and processes are strictly validated in accordance with MDD 93/44/EEC.

Amongst other things, MDD 93/44/EEC validates cleaning and reprocessing of medical devices, and Aesculap has proven effective reprocessing, with an internal process for every reusable medical device, including AdTec bipolar laparoscopic instruments.

If reprocessed in line with the above specifications and CFPP (HTM) recommendations, as validated, you can be assured that the AdTec bipolar laparoscopic instruments will be fully decontaminated and sterile.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly should you require any additional information.

Kind Regards

Yours sincerely

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