

This is an amendment to Section 8, Sterilization, of the Instructions For Use booklet for the Cry-Ac[®], Cry-Ac-3[®], Cryogun[®] and Mini-Cryogun[®] and supersedes the previous instructions contained within Section 8 (Issue Feb 2001)

Decontamination

It is recommended that the Cry-Ac[®], Cry-Ac-3[®], Cryogun[®] or Mini-Cryogun[®] are cleaned between episodes of patient care.

Since the Cry-Ac[®], Cry-Ac-3[®], Cryogun[®] or Mini-Cryogun[®] when operating in the “spray” mode do not come into direct contact with the patient then the infection risk is classified as “Low” and therefore the unit only requires periodic disinfection using Alcohol wipes.

When the Cry-Ac[®], Cry-Ac-3[®], Cryogun[®] or Mini-Cryogun[®] are used in conjunction with a Contact Probe the same “Low” infection risk applies since there is no breach of the patients dermis.

However, thorough cleaning and then disinfection of the Contact Probe using an Alcohol wipe prior to use is recommended between patient episodes.

1. Cleaning - Non-immersion method

1.1 Equipment required

A warm water/detergent solution at the correct dilution,

- A clean, disposable, absorbent, non-shedding cloth for application of the detergent solution.
- A clean, disposable, absorbent, non-shedding cloth or mechanical drying facility.
- An appropriate chemical neutraliser, first aid kit and eyewash bottle, in case of splashing with detergent.

1.2 Procedure for a Cry-Ac[®], Cry-Ac-3[®], Cryogun[®] or Mini-Cryogun[®]

- Wearing appropriate protective clothing, immerse the cleaning cloth in the detergent solution and wring thoroughly.
- Ensure that all outer surfaces are thoroughly wiped.
- Periodically rinsing the cloth in clean water and repeat the above steps until all surfaces have been cleaned.
- Ensure all surfaces are carefully hand-dried using a dry cloth or industrial hot-air dryer.
- Safely dispose of cleaning materials.

2. Recommended Disinfectant: -

Alcohol wipes.

Safety Note – Always refer to the Health & Safety Data Sheet for appropriate protective clothing before using any Disinfectants.

2.1 Procedure for a Cry-Ac[®], Cry-Ac-3[®], Cryogun[®] or Mini-Cryogun[®]

- Wearing appropriate protective clothing ensure that all outer surfaces are thoroughly wiped using an Alcohol wipe.
- Ensure all surfaces are carefully hand-dried using a dry cloth or industrial hot-air dryer.
- Safely dispose of alcohol wipes.

2.2 Procedure for a Contact Probe

- Wearing appropriate protective clothing ensure that all outer surfaces are thoroughly wiped using an Alcohol wipe.
- Ensure all surfaces are carefully hand-dried using a dry cloth or industrial hot-air dryer.
- Safely dispose of alcohol wipes.

3. Procedure for Sterilization of a Contact Probe

In the event of a Contact Probe breaches the patient’s dermis it is recommended that the Contact Probe be sterilized.

3.1 Cleaning

- Follow the procedure detailed in section 1.2.

3.2 Sterilizing

- Remove the Silicone Vent Tube from the Contact Probe.
- Place the Contact Probe into a Vacuum Steam Sterilizer and process at 134°C for a time period of 3 minutes.