How to Use

**ProEZ Gel™**
Pre-Treatment Gel Ready-to-Use

MANUFACTURER’S INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

**Intended Use:** ProEZ Gel is a ready to use humectant gel pre-treatment spray applied to soiled instrumentation at point of use in surgical, labor and delivery, emergency, ambulatory, dental and other treatment locations. It supports device instructions and professional guidelines, keeping soils moist and starting soil breakdown during delays and transport. ProEZ Gel is neutral pH, non-corrosive and protects instrumentation for extended hold times. It is compatible with all types of metals, plastics, glass and rubber goods. Naturally generated enzyme action starts active soil breakdown, making subsequent cleaning easier and more effective. This product is also useful to pre-treat transported soiled items and for spot treatment in Central Processing. This advisory is supplementary to the product label.

**Recommended PPE at point of use areas:** Use PPE according to facility policies and OSHA guidelines. ProEZ Gel is not corrosive or caustic. At a minimum, eyewear, mask and non-latex gloves are recommended while using this product.

**Before application:** Drain off any pre-soak liquids if used. Do not add water, bleach or other chemicals when using this product.

- **Trigger Spray:** Remove induction seal from bottle or puncture with uptake tube of spray head. Insert uptake tube into bottle and open sprayer nozzle slightly to produce desired spray pattern.
- **Aerosol Spray:** Twist open applicator to reveal spray opening.

**Application at point of use when patient treatment is in progress:** Professional guidelines and device IFUs recommend that blood and other soils be removed during procedures with sterile water and sterile sponges. If a prolonged treatment case with open surgical incision and soiled items are ready for processing, it is recommended to remove the soiled items to adjacent utility room or designated area before spraying.

**Application at end of procedure:** Spray soiled instruments as soon as possible after devices/instruments are not in use. If facility design makes it necessary to apply ProEZ Gel in the treatment area, it is recommended to spray after surgical site is covered with dressing and not immediately adjacent to treatment area. Segregate used and more soiled items to the top layer. Open jointed items. Apply about 6 to 10 inches from instrument surfaces focusing coverage on soils and jointed areas. The application amount should be visible.

**Spraying unused items and trays:** Each facility should develop policies on application of pre-treatment sprays for unused trays and devices. At a minimum the facility may consider using moist towels to cover unused items.

**Lumens, cannulas and powered equipment:** ProEZ Gel is a mild neutral pH pre-cleaner. Apply to surfaces, lumens and devices easily rinsed off or flushed out. Consult manufacturer’s instructions for powered devices.

**Contact time:** ProEZ Gel is a pre-treatment spray detergent and works quickly. It is not a disinfectant. Contact time is variable based on soil load. Allow at least 10 minutes contact for heavy soils.

**Transport:** Place soiled items on trays or containers with solid bottom before spraying to prevent drips. If soiled items will be transported or held for longer periods, place items in containers with solid bottom, sides and solid lid. Spray in layers ensuring coverage of visibly soiled areas. Use biohazard labeling as required.

**Prolonged holding and overnight transport:** Lab and clinical testing verify that ProEZ Gel will sustain moisture, dissolve soils and protect instrumentation up to 72 hours without reapplication in covered containers. Follow policies of organization for holding and transport time.

**In Central Sterile Processing:** Use cool water at low pressure to rinse sprayed items prior to continued cleaning process in automated washers. After cleaning and rinsing instruments and devices, complete the decontamination process in high level chemical disinfectants or heat sterilization as appropriate for the device.
**Note:** Some gel sprays may dry hard on case carts and items during prolonged delays or holding. Testing demonstrates that ProEZ Gel will rinse off easily from case carts, containers and items after long holding times.

**Use life of the product after opening the container:**
ProEZ Gel is a detergent cleaning agent and is not labeled or tested as a disinfectant or sterilant. After opening the bottle, ProEZ Gel may be used up to the expiration marked on the bottle. It is not necessary to alter the expiration when opening the container. It is not necessary to mark the date the container was opened.