



## How to Use

## Spec Clean™

**Enzymatic Pre-Treatment Foam Spray** 

MANUFACTURER'S INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Intended Use: Spec Clean foam is a ready to use enzymatic detergent spray specifically formulated to keep instruments and soils moist, start soil break-down and protect instrumentation. Neutral pH and anticorrosives in the formula will protect instruments. It is safe to use on all types of metals, plastics and rubber goods. This product is indicated for use in point-of-use locations such as peri-operative areas, labor and delivery, E.R., ambulatory, dentistry, transport between facilities and spot treatment in central processing area. This advisory is supplementary to product label.

**Recommended PPE At Point Of Use Areas:** Use PPE according to facility policies and OSHA guidelines. Spec Clean foam is a mild irritant and is not corrosive or caustic. At a minimum in point of use locations use non-latex gloves and eye protection.

**Before Application:** Drain off any soak liquids if used. Saline is not recommended but if used, rinse off prior to application of foam. Do not add water, bleach or other chemicals when using this product. This product has a special sprayer supplied with 8 oz. and 24 oz. bottle. Remove induction seal from bottle or puncture with uptake tube of spray head. Insert uptake tube into bottle and turn spray nozzle to stream or spray position.

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 Spec Clean foam in the treatment area, it is recommended to spray after surgical site is covered with dressing and not immediately adjacent to treatment area. Spec Clean foam is viscous and will not aerosolize when applied about 6 to 10 inches from instrument surfaces.

Segregate used and more soiled items in top layer and open jointed items. Focus coverage on visible soils and jointed areas. Avoid over-application. A "blanket" of foam is not necessary.

**Spraying Unused Items And Trays:** Each facility should develop policies on application and amount of pre-cleaning spray for unused trays and devices. At a minimum the facility may consider using moist towels to cover unused items. Moist towels will help prevent minimal traces of soils from drying and reduces the total volume of foam needed to be rinsed off prior to mechanical cleaning.

Lumens, Cannulas And Powered Equipment: Spec Clean foam 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:** Spec Clean foam is a pretreatment spray detergent and works quickly. It is not a disinfectant. Contact time is variable based on soil load. Allow at least 5 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. Follow policies of the organization for limits of holding and transport time.

## **Prolonged Holding And Overnight Transport:**

Lab and clinical testing verify that Spec Clean foam will sustain moisture, dissolve soils and protect instrumentation up to 72 hours. See previous instructions regarding use of solid containers with lids and careful coverage of soiled areas with Spec Clean foam if delays are likely. *For best practices* facilities should devise procedures and policies to minimize holding time for contaminated instrumentation.

**Note:** Gel spray products are more likely to dry hard on case carts and items if prolonged holding. Some sprays do not have enzymes or anti-corrosive agents and may not

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protect instrumentation during prolonged delays. *Rinse most of foam and soils off instruments with cold water at low pressure* prior to further cleaning in ultrasonic instrument cleaning device or automated washer. After cleaning and rinsing instruments and devices, complete the decontamination process in high level chemical disinfectants or heat sterilization as appropriate for the device.

## **Use Life Of The Product After Opening The Container:**

Spec Clean foam is a detergent cleaning agent and is not labeled or tested as a disinfectant or sterilant. After opening the bottle, Spec Clean foam 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.

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