



STAINLESS STEEL INSTRUMENT TRAYS/MEDICAL UTENSILS

Sterilization Processing Instructions For Polar Ware's Hospital Instrument Trays / Medical Utensils

Polar Ware has designed Instrument Trays / Medical Utensils to be compatible with the manufacturer's instructions for these sterilization processes:

- Steam Autoclaves
- Sterilization
- ETO

The Polar Ware trays/ utensils can be subjected to temperatures of 400° F or 205° C, and they will not warp, stain, or discolor.

To maintain sterility, the trays/ medical utensils should be enclosed in an FDA approved sterilization wrap, pouch, or rigid sterilization container, prior to the sterilization process.

General Instructions:

1. Steam Autoclaves – follow your manufacturer's recommended processing instructions and ensure that these recommendations are consistent with the surgical instruments manufacturer's processing recommendations. The trays/medical utensils should be dry at the end of the manufacturer's recommended drying cycle. "Wet Packs" requiring additional drying time can occur at the end of the recommended drying cycle if:
 - The instrument system exceeds the 16-18 lbs. weight limit.
 - The instrument system contains plastic instruments or devices that produce additional moisture requiring additional drying time
2. Sterilization – follow the manufacturer's recommended processing instructions and ensure that these recommendations are consistent with the surgical instruments manufacturer's processing recommendations. Failure can occur if:
 - The instruments or contents of the system are "wet". It is important to dry all instruments and contents of the system before processing
3. ETO – follow your manufacturer's recommended processing instructions and ensure that these recommendations are consistent with the surgical instruments manufacturer's processing recommendations. Failure can occur if:
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For further information, contact your sterilization process manufacturer/instrument manufacturer