

Face Mask (RBS and B.O.C. Masks) Sterilization and Cleaning Guidelines (Rusch)

Sterilization and Cleaning Guidelines for the Face Mask (RBS and B.O.C. Masks):

WARNING

Dry Heat sterilization must not be used.

The electrical properties of conductive and antistatic products may alter after repeated resterilization and use.

Plugs must be removed from inflatable pads before autoclaving. ETO gas sterilization or any other method that subjects the face mask to a vacuum system.

Products showing signs of deterioration should be discarded and destroyed.

STORAGE

Store below 25° C clean dry conditions away from light and avoid contact with metals, solvents, oil or greases and strong detergents.

CLEANING

Face Masks may be cleaned with mild detergents like Tri-Sodium Phosphate or a neutral liquid soap and then dried at room temperature.

STERILIZATION

When sterilizing transparent cone masks, the inflatable pad should be separate prior to sterilization.

AUTOCLAVE METHOD

Face Masks may be autoclaved by normal rubber cycle methods provided the maximum temperature does not exceed 120° C . Plugs must be removed from the inflatable pads prior to autoclaving.

COLD METHOD

Many proprietary brands of cold sterilants may be used provided the appropriate manufacturer's recommendations are followed. Plugs must not be removed from inflatable pads during cold sterilization techniques.

ETHYLENE OXIDE GAS METHOD (ETO)

Face Masks may be sterilized by ETO gas on the condition that the operation ensures that the vacuum cycle used does not cause any physical damage to the Face Mask and providing sufficient aeration is subsequently employed. Face Masks plus must be removed from the inflatable pads.