

## **Background Notes for Tomb Thumb**

### **Tom Thumb Sterility**

Iddoc 13285 MAC Manual part 1 Principles

Iddoc 12384 MAC Manual part 1 Principles section 3-1

Iddoc 12386 MAC Manual part 2 Protocols

Iddoc 13287 MAC Manual part 3 Procedures

The Tom Thumb is not suitable for sterilisation as it contains O rings  
It can definitely not be autoclaved.

However after barrier nursing if the unit is sterilised in accordance with MAC and MHRA protocols and certified, as it is brass it is possible to be dismantled and rebuilt by a trained technician.

This is trying to cover any eventuality (eg Ebola) which may be raised by users.

Because of national edicts on decontamination no sterility tests or microbiology tests are required.

The units when delivered are not sterile

They are cleaned and since 1994 no cases of contamination or uncleanness have been notified by the user.

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