

**Sterilisation Requirements**

This product does not require sterilisation – however the following cleaning information is given to each recipient of a plastic product.

**Cleaning Information.**

**Cleaning/Disinfecting of Viamed Plastics.**

These note are for guidance only and Viamed recommends adherence to local hospital protocols and routines and disinfection fluid manufacturers instructions for use.

- Unless the device has been contaminated with body fluid it is usually adequate to clean thoroughly with neutral detergent, then rinse and dry.
- If there is contamination, the device must be cleaned thoroughly prior to disinfection to remove all organic matter and other residue.
- Disinfection must be achieved by use of the authorised disinfectant.
- The manufacturer's instructions for the use of their chemical disinfection agent must be followed carefully.
- If the disinfectant contains bleach (sodium hypochlorite) the minimum strengths recommended should be used to prevent discolouring and crazing of the materials.

In the absence of manufacturers advice the following strengths can be used as a guide :

Heavy contamination with blood - 10000 ppm available chlorine.

Without gross contamination - 1000 ppm available chlorine.

- Special attention should be paid to rinsing the surface until it is completely free of the solution. It must be cleaned off with neutral detergent, rinsed thoroughly and dried.
- Due to toxicity do not use glutaraldehyde or phenolics.  
Do not use organic solvents, as they will cause crazing.



***Warning. Cracked surfaces can harbour contamination.***