



Your request regarding the surface disinfection of Dräger medical devices

Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for your request regarding the surface disinfection of Dräger medical devices.

The testing and validation of surface disinfectants for our devices remains an ongoing process as new products are continually being introduced to the market. As a result of the changing disinfectant marketplace, Dräger can now offer you various options for surface disinfectant cleaners that have been tested and have been proven to be compatible with Dräger devices.

For the US we recommend:

Klorsept® 17 by Medentech, distributed by Brulin under the name BruTab6S®

Oxycide™ by Ecolab

Rely+on™ Virkon by Dupont

The broad-spectrum effect and compatibility with device-component materials is the rationale behind using these oxygen or chlorine releasing disinfectants. You can use the above disinfectants on all Draeger devices, despite that these cleaners are not yet stated in the Instructions for Use manual.

Additional disinfectants are currently being evaluated. BruTab6S and Oxycide are not available in Canada at this time.

Generally speaking, Oxygen and Chlorine releasing disinfectants show better material compatibility than do quaternary ammonium compounds and/or alcohol-based products. Nevertheless, caution is advised if oxygen releasing agents that contain AHP® (accelerated hydrogen peroxide licensed by Virox) are used. The testing with Virox products has not been completed to date. Should a hospital choose to use Virox products, the manufacturer's instructions for use should be precisely followed.

It is important to stress that Dräger advises against the use of disinfectants based on quaternary ammonium compounds and/or alcohol. Testing in recent months have shown that the plastic housings of Dräger devices can be damaged and repeated cases of cracks have been reported on the corners of the monitors when using these disinfectants.

For further information or if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your local Dräger representative or customer service at 1-800-462-7566.

With best regards,

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