

**GUIDELINES FOR DISINFECTION AND STERILIZATION  
(Minimum Requirements)**

**CLEANING AND DISINFECTION**

1. Clean with enzymatic cleaner as necessary to remove gross contamination. Clean drain holes with disposable brush if needed. Rinse with water.
2. Disinfect in Washer/Disinfector using standard temperatures and time cycles as recommended by manufacturer.

**STERILIZATION**

1. Wrap device separately for sterilization.
2. Discard device if damaged to such an extent that cleaning and sterilization would be compromised.

STERILIZER	Item	Exposure Time @250F (121C)	Exposure Time @270F (132C)	Drying Times (minimum)
<b>AUTOCLAVE Gravity Displacement</b>	wrapped	30 min	-	45 min  <b>OR</b>  30 min dry time + 15 min cracked door time + 30 min cool down time
<b>AUTOCLAVE Dynamic-Air-Removal</b> <small>(e.g., pre-vacuum)</small>	wrapped	-	4 min	45 min  <b>OR</b>  30 min dry time + 15 min cracked door time + 30 min cool down time

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE**

The *soffzone*™ Neutral Zone Tray is designed to act as a clearly defined neutral zone area for the placement of all sharps instrumentation during surgery.

**IF WRAPPED SEPARATELY:**

1. The Circulating Nurse will open the outer sterilization wrap and present the NEUTRAL ZONE TRAY to the Scrub Technician.
2. The Scrub Technician will receive the sterile NEUTRAL ZONE TRAY and place the tray on the desired location on the mayo stand (depending upon procedure being performed).
3. The NEUTRAL ZONE TRAY is designed for use on the mayo stand ONLY! It is NOT intended for direct use on the operative field. Such placement, even with magnetic enhancement, can lead to an increased risk of sharps injuries.

**IF STERILIZED IN INSTRUMENT TRAY:**

1. The Scrub Technician will unwrap the NEUTRAL ZONE TRAY and place the tray on the desired location on the mayo stand (depending upon procedure being performed).

**NOTES:**

The silicone NEUTRAL ZONE TRAY can be cleaned and re sterilized via autoclave for multiple uses. Refer to Cleaning and Sterilization Guidelines.

Discard NEUTRAL ZONE TRAY if damaged to such an extent that cleaning and sterilization would be compromised.