POLISHING STRIPS

PRECAUTION

Devices in plastic packages should be stored away from heating devices to avoid packaging damage.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

The devices are for single use.

Target groups

No limitations for target treatment group – the devices can be used for all groups of patients without restrictions.

Warnings and precautions

Polishing strips are for single use and supplied in non-sterile state.

Polishing strips cannot be placed in the inflamed gingiva as it can cause bleeding.

Prior to use *polishing strips* make sure of integrity of the device and absence of dirty and rust on it

Do not bend *polishing strip* on metal base with a bend diameter of less than 3 mm to exclude device breakage.

Polishing strips should be stored in a dry place, away from direct sunlight (for polishing strips on plastic base).

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STERILIZATION

Polishing strips are single use devices. They are supplied in non-sterile state. In case there is a risk of contamination sterilization before use can be performed as follows.

Procedure:

- 1) Disinfect your hands;
- 2) Put on disposable gloves;
- 3) Perform sterilization by keeping:

Polishing strips on metal base

- in autoclave at 134°C for 5 minutes in accordance with the instruction of the autoclave manufacturer;

Polishing strips on polymer base

- in 6% hydrogen peroxide solution at 18°C for 360±5 min,
- in autoclave bag in autoclave at 121°C for 20 min in accordance with instructions of autoclave manufacturer.

Warning:

- 1) Do not use detergents or disinfectants containing strong alkalines (pH>9), strong acids (pH<4), phenols or iodophors, hydrogen peroxide, interhalogenic agents, halogenic hydrocarbons, strong oxidizing agents, organic solvents, aldehydes.
- 2) Do not use cleaning agents with high percentage of chlorine and cleaners containing oxalic acid.
- 3) Dry the devices thoroughly before sterilization.
- 4) Follow instructions of autoclave (sterilizer) manufacturer.
- 5) To avoid corrosion of the metal due to electrolysis, do not place devices in autoclave together with products made of aluminum, brass and copper.

- 6) Do not use / sterilize the devices in case of presence of traces of rust on the surface or traces of surface damage.
- 7) Do not keep the devices in liquid medium for more than 3 hours.

Storage

Devices in plastic packages should be stored away from heating devices to avoid packaging damage.

Sterilized devices can be stored:

- 1) In the UV-chamber please refer for the instruction of the UV-chamber for the detailed storage conditions.
- 2) In the autoclave bags please refer for the instruction of the autoclave bags for the detailed storage conditions. Products sterilized in autoclave bags should be stored in closed cabinets in clean, dry rooms, preferably at a temperature of 15-30°C and a relative humidity of 33-50%, avoiding exposure to direct sunlight. Unauthorized access to these rooms should be excluded.

Operating instructions

Preparation

- 1. Open the packaging.
- 2. Make sure that there are no:
- signs of violation of the integrity of the device (including cracks and chips),
- traces of rust or dirt on the surface.
- 3. Carry out sterilization according to current instruction for use (if appropriate)

Operating procedure

Strips on polymer base

- 1. Remove excess composite and contour the restoration using a fine diamond or carbide bur.
- 2. Accurately open the package with strips to avoid squabbling and mixing of the strips and choose strip for gross reduction.

Standard color code	blue / green	green / yellow	yellow / white
Abrasive particle size, micrometers	100 - 50 / 50 - 30	50 - 30 / 30 - 15	30 - 15 / 15 - 2
Process	Gross reduction	Contouring	Polishing

- 3. Insert the strip into interproximal area.
- 4. Polish interproximal and gingival surfaces of restoration by moving the strip by hand. Approximal surfaces are recommended to treat right after removal of matrix and wedge while the inter-tooth distance remains unchanged.
- 5. Repeat the procedure with two other types of polishing strips.

Strips on metal base

Perforated prophylactic metal strips (strips for tartar removal)

- 1. Accurately open the package with strips.
- 2. Insert the strip into interproximal area.
- 3. Remove dental calculus (tartar) by rocking motion of the strip by hand.

Proxicut system

1. Accurately open the package with saw blades.

- 2. Assemble saw blade and proxicut holder.
- 3. Insert the system into interproximal area.
- 4. Remove dental calculus (tartar) or excess of filling material from interproximal area by rocking motion of the system by hand.
- 5. Withdraw the system from the mouth and disassemble saw blade from the proxicut holder.
- 6. Install coarse proxicut diamond strip on the proxicut holder.
- 7. Insert the system into interproximal area.
- 8. Remove dental calculus (tartar) or excess of filling material from interproximal area by rocking motion of the system by hand
- 9. Withdraw the system from the mouth and disassemble the coarse proxicut diamond strip from the proxicut holder and repeat the procedure with two other types of diamond strips.

Warning:

- 1. Proxicut holders and keys are reusable devices and should be sterilized after each patient using either conventional steam autoclave or dry heat sterilizer in accordance with recommendation in Technical File «Dental matrix bands retainers».
- 2. Do not bend metal strip with a bend diameter of less than 3 mm to exclude device breakage.