CONTROL OF EFFICACY

CIDEX® Test Strips provide a rapid and easy measure of the minimum effective concentration (MEC) to ensure an optimal reuse of CIDEX® Activated Glutaraldehyde Solution and CIDEX® OPA Solution.

1. Completely submerge the indicating pad of the strip into CIDEX® Solution for the specified time and remove. Do not shake strip.

2. Remove excess solution by standing strip upright on a paper towel.

3. Read results at specified time. Do not read past specified time.

Please read and follow the Instructions for Use prior to using CIDEX® Solutions for detailed information, including contraindications, warnings and proper directions for use. Always refer to instructions for use that come with the device.
WHY SHOULD YOU TEST YOUR CIDEX® SOLUTION?

To check whether the CIDEX Solution still destroys microorganisms effectively, the minimum effective concentration (MEC) required for high-level disinfection should be tested with the appropriate CIDEX® Test Strip prior to each usage.

Discard any unused test strips 90 days after bottle is originally opened.

CIDEX® OPA Test Strips

CIDEX® OPA ORTHO-PHTHALALDEHYDE SOLUTION CAN BE USED OR REUSED FOR A MAXIMUM OF 14 DAYS.*

How to test: completely submerge indicating pad of the strip into solution. Hold for 1 second and remove. Do not shake strip.

Remove excess solution by standing the strip upright on a paper towel.

Read results at 90 seconds. Do not read past 90 seconds. Pad will be completely PURPLE to indicate effective solution. IF ANY BLUE remains on the pad apart from the top line, solution is ineffective and must be discarded.

CIDEX® Activated Glutaraldehyde Solution can be used or reused for a maximum of 14 days.*

How to test: completely submerge indicating pad of the strip into solution. Hold for 3 seconds and remove. Do not shake strip.

Remove excess solution by standing the strip upright on a paper towel.

Read results at 75 seconds. Do not read past 75 seconds. Pad will be completely PURPLE to indicate effective solution. IF ANY ORANGE remains on the pad apart from the top line, solution is ineffective and must be discarded.

*CIDEX® OPA Solution may be used or reused for up to a maximum of 14 days provided the required condition of ortho-phthalaldehyde concentration and temperature exist based upon monitoring described in the Instructions for Use. Do not rely solely on days in use.

*CIDEX® Activated Glutaraldehyde Solution may be used or reused for up to a maximum of 14 days provided the required condition of activated glutaraldehyde concentration and temperature exist based upon monitoring described in the Instructions for Use. Do not rely solely on days in use.