

# **CARE OF NEW INSTRUMENTS**

### **ON RECEIPT:**

- 1. Clean carefully, using instrument cleaner to remove factory residue.
- 2. Rinse with de-ionised water and dry thoroughly.
- Re-oil box-locks and cutting edges with instrument oil.
- For sterilisation, instruments with ratchets should be closed to the first ratchet position only, to avoid tension and consequent damage due to heating and cooling during sterilisation.

### AFTER USE:

Clean with instrument cleaner, rinse and dry as soon as possible after surgery. If cleaning will be delayed, immerse instruments in cold water for a maximum of 2 hours. Follow steps 2 to 4 above before each sterilisation.

# STORAGE:

Always store instruments in a dry place. Guard against accidental damage to instrument surfaces. Avoid dropping or banging instruments against each other.

# **REGULAR MAINTENANCE:**

To prevent rusting, spotting and staining, instruments should be immersed in Surgical Instrument Lubrication (203 731) on a regular basis. Any stains or corrosion may he removed by soaking in Surgistain (207 482)

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