











Handling WEINMANN products when suspecting contamination by highly infectious germs

Due to the current global situation and the discussions about how to deal with the lately discovered corona virus (Sars-Cov-2) we would like to assure you that there is a rather low risk of cross contamination when preparing and using our products properly.

However, in suspected cases of contact with patients who suffer from highly infectious diseases, please consider the following aspects when handling WEINMANN products:

-  Preferably, use single use components (respiratory tubes, flow-sensors, suction catheters, electrodes etc.).
-  Dispose the single used materials properly (please pay attention to self-protection when performing this step).
-  In order to protect the patient as well as the staff, use a breathing system filter (e.g. WM 22162) to separate viruses and bacteria from the patient valve and the patient at all times during ventilation.
-  Generally, the risk of contamination of the interior of the device via the ambient air intake (AirMix function) **is to be classified as low**. To further reduce the risk of cross-contamination, we recommend using the hygiene filter for MEDUMAT Transport, MEDUMAT Standard² or MEDUVENT Standard.
-  Exchange the hygiene filter after a (suspected) contamination transport with use of the ventilator in AirMix mode (FiO₂<1).
-  If possible use WEINMANN ventilation products that don't have the ability to use a hygiene filter (e.g. MEDUMAT Standard) only with 100% oxygen or use a device without Air Mix function (e.g. MEDUMAT Easy^{CPR}).
-  After usage, properly perform a hygienic treatment on the devices and the reusable accessories as described in the instructions for use.
-  A wipe disinfection of the devices can alternatively be performed using the disinfecting wipes **Incidin™ OxyWipe S** on the basis of hydrogen peroxide from the company Ecolab instead of the recommended terralin® protect.
-  Please consider the application time of the used disinfecting product for a virucidal performance.
-  If you send devices to WEINMANN for service or repairs, please make sure the devices and accessories are disinfected before shipment.

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