

Product Bulletin

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RE: SCOPE BUDDY™ Endoscope Flushing Aid Flushing Times

This Product Bulletin provides clarification related to the use of SCOPE BUDDY Endoscope Flushing Aid and the programming times required for flushing specific endoscope models.

SCOPE BUDDY Endoscope Flushing Aid has been designed to be compatible with all flexible endoscopes irrespective of manufacturer. The default flushing time (2 minutes 30 seconds) was established to provide customers with a single flushing time that would ensure delivery of 100mls of solution through each channel of the vast majority of endoscopes regardless of manufacturer or endoscope model. This approach avoided the need to reprogram SCOPE BUDDY Endoscope Flushing Aid each time a different model of endoscope was being flushed. Although this approach simplified the flushing time for the majority of endoscopes, it has led to the conclusion that SCOPE BUDDY Endoscope Flushing Aid flushing times are unnecessarily lengthy and has caused confusion regarding SCOPE BUDDY Endoscope Flushing Aid ability to flush specific endoscopes more quickly than the default flushing time suggests.

In response to enquires regarding shorter flushing times, Medivators has conducted flow studies to validate programming times for certain models of endoscopes. The method of validation grouped all like models of endoscopes, in terms of channel configuration, together, and determined a programming time that reflected the worst case flushing time in each group. In addition, certain specific models of endoscopes were tested. The result of these flow studies are listed as the minimum time to achieve adequate flow through all lumens, in the Scope Buddy Rinse Matrix (50096-849). Always use at least the minimum time required on the SCOPE BUDDY Endoscope Flushing Aid Rinse Matrix. It is important to flush all channels. As in manual flushing, additional time can be added if the endoscope needs additional flushing.

NOTE: SCOPE BUDDY Endoscope Flushing Aid is a fluid pump designed to mechanically assist in the endoscope channel flushing portion of the manual cleaning process by providing fluid delivery to endoscope channels. It is not an endoscope washer/disinfector and does not have claims of endoscope cleaning efficacy or high-level disinfection efficacy.

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