

label & envelope instructions

WHY

Why use SMS account labels?

To decrease the length of time it takes for you to receive your order.

In an effort to provide you with your order as quickly as possible, we are no longer printing SMS numbers on your test envelopes. Instead, we are providing you with SMS account labels.

WHAT

What is the purpose of the SMS account labels?

To identify your account on the test envelope.

Your test cannot be processed without this information. Each order now includes **one sheet of labels** for **one sterilizer** and **52 test envelopes**. Each label includes your SMS account number & name of your office.

WHEN

When to label the test envelopes?

Whenever it is most convenient for you.

Each week, you can place one label on one test envelope. Or you can label all 52 test envelopes with labels so that each one is prepared and ready to use.

REMINDER

What is the re-order reminder on the label sheet?

When the time to re-order approaches, a re-order reminder is located near the bottom of the label sheet and indicates that you have 8 test envelopes that remain (if labels are used from left to right, and top to bottom).

WHERE | WHO | WHAT

Where is the label placed? Who is the operator? What information is required on the test envelope?

All the following information must be included on the testing envelope to process your test.

WHERE to PLACE LABEL?

above operator name box

WHO is the OPERATOR?

enter name of person who ran test in the **operator name** box

WHAT is the TEST DATE?

enter test month & day in the test date boxes

sms label (place here) TEST DATE month day autoclave (circle one) A 1 2 3 4 chemiclave (circle one) C 1 2 3 4

WHAT is the EQUIPMENT?

circle A or C for **sterilizer type** (A = autoclave, C = chemiclave)

circle **equipment number** (1, 2, 3, 4)

(circle 1 if you have one piece of equipment, multiple units may then be identified as 2, 3, 4 etc.)

After placing the label and providing all the information listed above --- see information on reverse side for **how to complete spore testing**.



how to use TESTING ENVELOPES

RED ENVELOPES

used for steam autoclaves & chemical sterilizers

GRAY ENVELOPES

used for dry heat oven sterilizers

POCKET for CONTROL STRIP

control strip packet is in **LEFT pocket** of envelope LEFT pocket is **sealed**

- do <u>NOT</u> open left pocket
- do NOT remove control strip packet
- do <u>NOT</u> sterilize control strip packet
- POCKET for TEST STRIP

spore strip packet is in **RIGHT pocket** of envelope RIGHT pocket is **open**

SPORE STRIP PACKET

spore strip is enclosed in a protective packet
do NOT remove spore strip from protective packet
any test run after expiration date on packet is invalid

CONTROL STRIP --- do not sterilize -- sms label (place here) operator name (please print) TEST STRIP TEST DATE month day autoclave (circle one) A 1 2 3 4 chemiclave (circle one) C 1 2 3 4

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IMPORTANT

do **NOT** peel here to opendo **NOT** remove spore strip

how to complete SPORE TESTING

REMOVE the SPORE STRIP PACKET

remove **spore strip packet** from the **open RIGHT pocket** place in **cassette / bag / pouch** to be sterilized

PLACE in STERILIZER

place cassette / bag / pouch with spore strip packet in middle of sterilizer run sterilizer containing a regular load of instruments

REMOVE from STERILIZER

remove cassette / bag / pouch with spore strip packet from sterilizer remove spore strip packet

PLACE in ENVELOPE

place spore strip packet in the open RIGHT pocket close adhesive flap to seal

COMPLETE and MAIL

see reverse side for how to label and complete **required information** on testing envelope add postage and **mail the same day test is run**