## **NGPOD Cleaning Guidelines**





In accordance with the NGPOD Instructions for Use (IFU), the following methods for the cleaning of the NGPOD hand-held device are recommended.

- Thoroughly clean the NGPOD® with the cap in position
- The exterior of the NGPOD® can be cleaned with soft disinfecting wipes
- Test any cleaner on a small area of the cover before using it on the NGPOD®
- Always remove any soapy residue after cleaning. Do not use hard instruments for cleaning.
- Always disinfect the NGPOD® after each use to avoid cross-infection
- For a NGPOD® that has been in an isolation area, select those agents that both clean and disinfect
- Refer to infection prevention + control local policy for cleaning of non-invasive medical devices

For occasional deep cleaning of the pod collar and cap, the collar and cap assembly can be disinfected in Milton fluid as per the Milton fluid sterilisation instructions. Detach the collar and cap assembly from the pod as directed in section 4.4.1 of the IFU.

WARNING: Do not immerse the pod itself in the fluid.

PRECAUTION: Avoid abrasive cleaners or harsh chemicals which could affect the surface finish. e.g. scouring powder, wire wool, acetone cleaner

PRECAUTION: Do not allow fluid or residues to remain on the NGPOD® as these could cause biological hazards or equipment malfunction. While the product design safeguards against minor fluid spillage, if fluid enters the NGPOD®, this will cause device malfunction and may void the warranty.

PRECAUTION: Do not autoclave or use ethylene oxide gas, this will cause device malfunction and may void the warranty.

## Additional Advice

- IPA solutions are suitable for cleaning the NGPOD®. Use a soft cloth for cleaning.
- Avoid the use of cleaning fluids containing chlorine bleach, hydrogen peroxide, or chlorine releasing agents. The black internal plastics are particularly susceptible to damage from these chemicals.
- NGPOD® recommends cleaning with a range of anti-bacterial wipes commonly used in hospitals, including Sani-cloth Germicidal wipes, and Clinell Universal Sanitising wipes.
- Do not allow excess fluid to settle in the keypad area following cleaning. Dry with soft, clean material if necessary.

If you are considering using other cleaning products on the NGPOD® device, our technical team can provide advice on this. Please provide details, including the technical and safety data sheets, to the email address below.

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