

Mail-In Spore Testing Instructions for Use

Instructions for Use

1. Process Test Strip in a Typical Load to be Sterilized
 - Remove the test strip from the test packet envelope.
 - Place the test strip in the sterilizer.
 - Do not open the blue glassine packaging containing the test strip.
 - Do not remove the control strip from the test packet envelope.
2. Document Sterilization Records
 - Document all sterilization cycle information in your record keeping booklet.
 - Write your name and the test date on the test packet.
 - Notify us if your sterilizer type has changed 1-800-289-7786.
3. Mail the Test Packet to Mesa Labs
 - After the sterilization cycle, return the test strip to the test packet envelope.
 - Seal the test packet envelope, apply postage and mail promptly.
 - Notify us if your contact information has changed 1-800-289-7786.
 - Go to www.sporetesting.com and log-in to view or print test results.



Storage and Shelf-Life

Store test packets in a cool, dark and dry location away from direct sunlight and chemical sterilizing and disinfecting agents. Spore strips are a biological product with a limited shelf-life. The expiration date is printed on each spore strip. A new testing kit will not be shipped automatically.

Recommended Use

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F. Sterilization Monitoring

Use mechanical, chemical, and biological monitors according to the manufacturer's instructions to ensure the effectiveness of the sterilization process.

Monitor sterilizers at least weekly by using a biological indicator with a matching control (i.e., biological indicator and control from same lot number).

For further guidelines go to www.sporetesting.com