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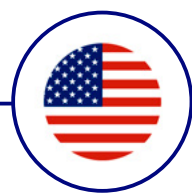




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Procedure Room	Decontamination Area			
Precleaning	Manual Cleaning*	Manual Disinfection or EWD	Drying/Storage/ Sterilization	Source
Immediately following completion of the endoscope procedure  At minimum, water used for reprocessing of endoscopes should meet the specifications that are recommended	Perform meticulous manual cleaning including brushing and flushing channels and ports before performing high-level disinfection (HLD) or sterilization	Manual or AER processing	<b>Storage:</b> After reprocessing is complete, store endoscopes and accessories in a manner that prevents recontamination, protects the equipment from damage and promotes drying	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Essential Elements of a Reprocessing Program for Flexible Endoscopes – Recommendations of the Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee. <b>(2017)</b> <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/flexible-endoscope-reprocessing.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/flexible-endoscope-reprocessing.pdf</a>

<b>Legend:</b> EWD – endoscope washer-disinfector (chemo-thermal mechanical/automatic cleaning and disinfection)/AER – automated endoscope reprocessor GDA – glutardialdehyde PAA – peracetic acid OPA – ortho-phthalaldehyde ClO <sub>2</sub> – chlorine dioxide	LCS – liquid chemical sterilization EtO – ethylene oxide LTSF – low-temperature steam formaldehyde H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> – hydrogen peroxide OR – operating room EHEF – European Hygiene Experts Forum HLD – high-level disinfection	TGA – Therapeutic Goods Administration Sterilant – chemical (high-level disinfectant) that has been cleared as capable of destroying all viable microorganisms, including bacterial spores (mainly relevant for Americas) Process chemical use life Process chemical shelf life
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\*Mandatory, even in the case of EWD processing

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