

Instructions for Use: Steriking® Self Seal Pouches

Brand Name of Product	Steriking® Self Seal Pouches, Manufactured by Wipak
Generic Name of Product	Pouches
Product Code Number(s)	SS10, SS1, SS-T1, SS2, SS-T2, SS3, SS-T3A, SS4, SS-T4, SS-T4A, SS5A, SS-T5A, SS6,
	SS-T6, SS7, SS-T7.
Purpose of Product	The STERIKING® see-through, self-sealable pouches are intended for use as packing
	material for sterilization for items by steam, or ethylene oxide gas.
Range of Applications for Product	N/A
Key Specifications of Product	 The STERIKING® see-through packages are constructed of medical-grade paper (70 g/m²) that is heat-sealed together with a multiply PET/PP-plastic laminate (12/40 microns). Code numbers SS1-SS7 and SS10 only—strip is not an indicator Pouches that have an indicator strip:
	SS-T1 SS-T2 SS-T3A SS-T4
	SS-T4A SS-T5A SS-T6 SS-T7

Shipping & Storage	
Shipping Conditions & Requirements	N/A
Storage Conditions for Unprocessed Pouches	 When kept in the original packaging, no special conditions are required. When stored in the original, closed transportation packaging, items are protected from moisture, heat and direct sunlight or other sources of UV light. Once the pouches and rolls are removed from the packaging, they are to be stored at a temperature of 18 - 24 °C and humidity 30 - 60 rh%. Pouches should be stored in closed cabinets protected from a UV light source. The process indicator is sensitive to UV light and may change color over time, if not stored properly.
Packaging Contents	N/A
Shelf Life of Unprocessed Pouches	 It is recommended pouches are used within three years of the manufacturer's date. The recommended "best before" date and the manufacturing date are labeled on the carton. Each pouch has a lot number imprinted for traceability and to determine the manufacturer date.

Instructions for Using Product	
Description of Use(s)	The STERIKING® see-through, self-sealable pouches are intended for use as packing
	material for items by sterilization by steam or ethylene oxide gas.
Preparation for Use	1. Before sealing, remove as much air as possible from the pouch. This will help prevent rupturing in sterilization.
	2. Place the proper class of chemical indicator inside the pouch according to your specific facilities guidelines.
	3. Ensure pouch contents and the internal indicator are away from the seal area and will not get caught in the seal.
	4. Seal the pouch securely.
	5. Leave enough material beyond the seal for the opener to easily grasp (usually 1 - 1 \(\frac{1}{4} \) inches).
	6. Rubber bands, non-approved tape, safety pins, paper clips, staples, or other sharp objects should not be used to secure packages or to organize the contents.
Diagrams (drawings, pictures)	

Steps for Use of Product	 Remove protective strip Place indicator inside pouch (Class 1 Indicator) Fold flap Press down from the center with both thumbs and move outward. a. Apply even pressure along the entire length of the strip, including the entire length of the outer folded edge, while moving thumbs. b. Repeat at least three times to ensure a proper seal. Examine the seal to make sure you do not see any uneven spots or ridges. Also, check each end of the seal to be sure no channel exists, and the seal is complete. If there are uneven spots, ridges or channels, apply pressure again (evenly) to smooth out those spots. Peel pouches should be located in the sterilizer on a rack so that the pouches stand vertically on their edges to help ensure proper exposure to the sterilization
	process.
Interpretation of Results	N/A
Contraindications of Test Results Documentation	The STERIKING® see-through range of peel packages conform to the international product standards and norms: ISO 11607-1, ISO 11607-2.
	 The products are registered by FDA under 510(k) Premarket Submission Nos.: K803293, K953776 and K973827. Wipak Oy is certified to ISO 9001:2000; ISO 14001: 2004; OHSAS 18001: 1999; ISO 22000: 2005 and DS 3027: 2002. STERIKING® sterilization packages are designed, validated, and manufactured to suit their intended purposes.
Special Warnings and Cautions	The STERIKING® standard range of see-through packaging is not suitable for sterilization by irradiation or by hot, dry air at the temperatures over 140 °C.
Disposal	Please refer to the local/national regulations regarding waste disposal.

Reprocessing Instructions	
Point of Use	N/A
Preparation for Decontamination	N/A
Disassembly Instruction	N/A
Cleaning – Manual	N/A
Cleaning – Automated	N/A
Disinfection	N/A
Drying	N/A
Maintenance, Inspection, and Testing	Be sure to check the seal is complete from end-to-end.
Reassembly Instruction	N/A
Packaging	N/A
Sterilization	 Compatible with steam and EO sterilization. Pre-vacuum Sterilizer: Wrapped trays (and instruments) should be exposed to 132 °C (270 °F) for 4 minutes or 135 °C (275 °F) for 3 minutes. Compatible with Gravity Steam Sterilization at 121 °C (250 °F) for 30 minutes. Arrange pouches so that there is minimal to no contact between pouches. If touching, arrange so that paper side is facing paper side. Chemical Indicators conform to ISO 11140-1 Type 1: Process indicators. Steam indicator changes color from blue to dark brown/black (New Design from pink to brown) and EO gas indicator from pink to yellow/orange on the outside of the pouch (New Design from purple-pink to beige-orange). Color can vary depending upon the concentration of EO gas and amount of humidity.
Storage for Sterilized Pouches	 Recommended storage conditions are 18 – 24 °C and humidity 30-60 rh%. Do not exceed 40 °C for sterile storage area.

	Shelf life of processed pouches/rolls is event related. Facilities should develop a
	policy identifying events that may compromise the sterility of packaged items.
	This could include a maximum period of time for storage.
Additional Information	These products are for single-use only.
	Maximum tested sterilization time – 30 minutes. Maximum tested temperature
	135 °C
	Validation tested for double pouching.

Related Healthmark Products	N/A
Other Product Support Documents	N/A
Reference Documents	Sterilization Packaging Brochure, Sterilization Packaging Price List
Customer Service Contact	US Distributor:
	Healthmark Industries Company, Inc.
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