

To whom it may Concern:

The following is in response to inquiries regarding our Steriking® Sterilization Packaging products (peel pouches & paper bags) and Extended Steam Sterilization Cycles.

The Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN) Sterile Processing/Materials Management Specialty Assembly Coordinating Council has released a general statement on extended steam sterilization cycles.

"Each medical facility needs to make sure that all of their products used for sterilization (peel pouches, wrap, etc.) can withstand these longer steam sterilization cycles. Each medical facility needs to make sure that the products used in extended cycles are validated for these types of cycles. Many manufacturers have tested their products for these longer cycle times. The manufacturer of the products should supply information to the user for their records."

Steriking® Sterilization Packaging products (peel pouches & paper bags) have demonstrated that they will withstand extended steam sterilization process with 134 °C (273 °F) for 30 minutes (steam pre-vacuum).

The sterilization parameters assume that all instruments or other items placed within the Steriking® Sterilization Packaging products have been cleaned prior to packaging and the process was verified. User must consult with sterilizer manufacture and follow instructions for proper use, cycle parameters, appropriate applications, load capacity, configuration and performance monitoring.

Thank you for contacting Wipak and Healthmark Industries. If you require further assistance please contact us at 1-800-521-6224

Sincerely,

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We take care that you pack safely!