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## Intraoral Dental Photography Mirrors Cleaning/Sterilisation Instructions

Thank you for your interest in our intraoral mirrors. So that you may get the best results and longest life out of these mirrors, please follow these tips and instructions.

These mirrors are made of float glass with a thickness of 3mm. While they are strong, they will break if dropped, so use care in handling them.

### **Cleaning & Sterilisation Instructions: (Only use DISTILLED water):**

- Gently wash the mirror with mild hand soap using alcohol to remove greasy substances such as lipstick. Do not use abrasives. Rinse well.
- Dry the mirror with a soft cloth lightly then air dry until all moisture has evaporated. Be sure to completely dry the mirrors before placing them in an autoclave. Any spots left on mirror will not come off after sterilization. If the mirror cannot be cleaned right away, keep it wet or covered with a wet towel.
- Never put the mirrors into an ultrasonic cleaning device and do not use bleach solutions.
- Keep the mirrors out of contact with all other instruments and do not stack the mirrors directly on top of each other. Wrap the mirror into a microfiber cloth or paper towel and place it in a sterilization pouch and seal.
- Autoclave at 134°C for 5 minutes.
- Do not use chemical or cold sterilization solutions. These may leave permanent streaks or spots on the surface of the mirrors.
- For safety reasons, any mirror with a chipped or scratched edge must be immediately discarded.

## Dental Photography Mirrors Tips

- 1) To prevent fog from forming on the mirrors during use, try the following tips:
  - Use our “Anti-mist / Anti-fog spray for mirrors”, or
  - Heat the mirror in a tray of warm water, or
  - Have the patient inhale slowly while the mirror is placed
- 2) To prevent watermark stains on your mirrors which may appear after sterilisation:
  - Use paper towel to wrap the mirrors before sterilising them, or
  - Use a microfibre cloth

(don't use paper towel to wipe the mirrors, only to wrap them. Quilted paper towel may still leave watermark stains)
- 3) To prevent scratches, use dedicated storage and sterilisation cassettes for mirrors.