

MAICO Product Disinfection and COVID-19

COVID-19 refers to the coronavirus disease and SARS-CoV-2 is the actual virus (severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2), hereafter referred to as “virus.”

Transmission of the virus to persons from surfaces contaminated with the virus has not been documented. Current evidence suggests that the virus may remain viable for hours to days on surfaces made from a variety of materials. Cleaning of visibly dirty surfaces followed by disinfection is a best practice measure for prevention of COVID-19 and other viral respiratory illnesses.

Disconnect the unit's energy source before cleaning. Non-disposable parts of the system including cables, electrode lead wires, headset cushions, bone vibrator, and insert phone tubes which are in direct contact with the patient need to be disinfected between patients. Remove and discard disposable ear tips or electrodes prior to disinfection.

If using headsets for audiometry (such as DD45, TDH39) or headsets for contralateral reflex testing (DD45C), you may also consider using disposable ear cushion covers, MAICO Part No. 8107419, 500/box.

Disinfect the plastic housing of the device and its accessories by wiping the surfaces with an alcohol-free disinfectant product such as Sani-Cloth® AF3 Germicidal Disposable Wipes or a similar product. Quaternary ammonium-based disinfectants, rather than alcohol, are commonly used in hearing evaluation instruments to avoid degradation of components containing rubber, plastic, silicone and acrylic. Follow the instructions on the specific disinfection product.

The recommendations for disinfection of MAICO instruments presented in this document are not intended to replace or contradict policies in effect or procedures required for infection control at your facility. MAICO instruments are not designated as 'sterile'.