

## Instructions for Use: Tube Brushes

<b>Brand Name of Product</b>	Tube Brushes
<b>Generic Name of Product</b>	Tube brushes, reamer brushes, trumpet valve brush
<b>Product Code Number(s)</b>	4030, 4031, 52003-35, 4032, 4033, 4034, 4042, TR350109, TR350232, TR350233, BRS-12-4, TR350354, TR350429, TR150483, TR150221, TR360231, TR160617, TR52003-21-S, 10-1660, TR03020, 52003-27, 4035, 4041, 4036, 4037, 4038, 4039, 10-1664, 10-1668, 24-1-035, 24-1-040, 24-1-041, 24-1-055, 24-1-045, 24-1-046, 24-1-050, 24-1-060, 24-1-007, 24-1010, 24-1-015, 24-1-020, 24-1-025, 24-1-030, 86-0340-1206, 86-1234-0006, 86-0516-1212, 86-00004-0009, 86-02120-1234, RB300105, RB310306, RB310307, 3770, BRS-TV, 130-38, BRK-SHVR
<b>Purpose of Product</b>	To assist in cleaning of the channels and lumens of cannulated items in conjunction with a suitable cleaning solution according to the manufacturer's IFU of that specific item.
<b>Range of Applications for Product</b>	Any cannulated item for which brushing of internal channels is a recommended step in the cleaning process by the original manufacturer's IFU.
<b>Key Specifications of Product</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Reusable</li> <li>● Nylon bristles</li> <li>● Stainless steel twisted wire</li> <li>● Variety of lengths and diameters for the great variety of surgical instruments</li> </ul>

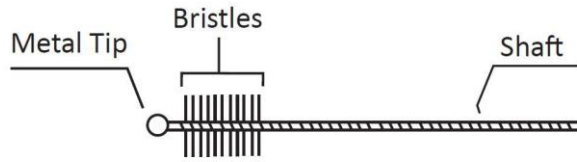
### Shipping & Storage

<b>Shipping Conditions &amp; Requirements</b>	
<b>Storage Conditions</b>	
<b>Packaging Conditions</b>	
<b>Shelf Life</b>	

### Instructions for Using Product

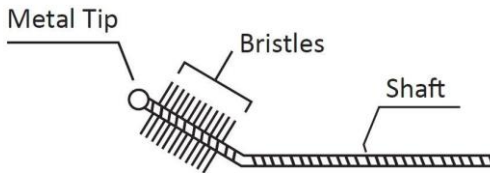
<b>Description of Use(s)</b>	
<b>Preparation for Use</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cleaning any cannulated item, such as a suction tube, requires the use of the proper size cleaning brush in accordance with manufacturers' IFUs.</li> <li>● It is important to match the diameter size of the brush you are using with the channel you are cleaning.</li> <li>● The Healthmark Brush Sizing Chart or similar type of tool may be used to select the proper diameter brush.</li> <li>● It is also critical to select a brush that is longer than the channel to ensure that the entire channel receives cleaning action.</li> <li>● Ensure the material composition of the brush bristles is suitable for the device to be cleaned. This should be in compliance with the manufacturer's IFU for the device.</li> <li>● Brushes should be inspected prior to each use to be certain they are not worn, frayed or damaged. If discrepancies are noted, the brush should be discarded and not used.</li> <li>● Brushes should also be inspected between uses for any residual organic soil that may cross-contaminate the next device cleaned. If there is visual soil, the brush should be cleaned in accordance with the method(s) described below.</li> </ul>
<b>Diagrams (drawings, pictures)</b>	
<b>Steps for Use of Product</b>	Consult the manufacturer's IFU for the item you are cleaning and follow the instructions closely.
<b>Interpretation of Results</b>	
<b>Contraindications of Test Results</b>	
<b>Documentation</b>	
<b>Special Warnings and Cautions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Tube style brushes are intended for use as cleaning tools only. They are not for use in patient care or aseptic techniques.</li> <li>● Healthmark recommends that brushes are thoroughly cleaned and disinfected at least daily, preferably between each use. See instructions for reprocessing below.</li> </ul>
<b>Disposal</b>	Because tube brushes are used to clean patient-used items, it is recommended to dispose of them in the biohazard container with other contaminated devices.

<b>Reprocessing Instructions</b>	
<b>Point of Use</b>	
<b>Preparation for Decontamination</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rinse gross contaminants from the brush in a deep sink and with a spray apparatus, such as a shower gun.</li> <li>2. Use the facility's cold-water supply for this rinsing.</li> </ol>
<b>Disassembly Instructions</b>	
<b>Cleaning – Manual</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Brushes may be cleaned manually utilizing a high alkaline instrument detergent or an enzymatic detergent with the suitable enzymes for cleaning the types of soil the brush may come in contact with during use (i.e. protease, lipase, etc.).</li> <li>● The IFU for the cleaning agent should be followed closely to ensure sufficient exposure time is allowed for the cleaning solution to work.</li> <li>● It is recommended that agitation accompany the cleaning process to improve results. This is accomplished by at least swishing the brush and physically rubbing the bristle in the cleaning solution between gloved fingers.</li> </ul>
<b>Cleaning – Automated</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Machine cleaning is recommended in a washer disinfector cleared by the FDA.</li> <li>● Products should be positioned in the washer to allow maximum water penetration and drainage.</li> <li>● No overlapping – partially covered items will not be washed properly</li> <li>● Brushes should be secured in some way, such as the use of a wire or perforated tray that has a wire or perforated lid and bottom, to prevent brushes from blowing around in the wash chamber during cleaning. A container, such as the brush cleaning tube from Healthmark, is a suitable solution.</li> <li>● Brushes can be cleaned with the facility's approved cleaning solution used in the department's washer disinfector.</li> <li>● For the final rinse, critical water is recommended.</li> <li>● The standard program should include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pre-wash with cold water (&lt;100°F) rinse for a minimum of 2 minutes.</li> <li>2. Washing cycle with alkaline or enzymatic detergent at temperature recommended by the detergent manufacturer for a minimum of 4 minutes.</li> <li>3. Washing cycle with neutral pH or neutralizing detergent at temperature recommended by the detergent manufacturer for a minimum of 2 minutes.</li> <li>4. Rinse cycle for a minimum of 1 minute with critical water.</li> <li>5. Thermal disinfection of up to 195°F in compliance with the washer manufacturer's recommendations for time and temperature.</li> <li>6. Drying cycle at a temperature not to exceed 240°F.</li> <li>7. Caution when unloading machine as products will be hot.</li> <li>8. Visual inspection is required to ensure complete removal of soil.</li> <li>9. If product still shows soil, repeat program.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<b>Disinfection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The thermal disinfection stage of an automated washer is sufficient for disinfection of the cleaning brushes. Minimum temperature should be 180°F and not exceed 200°F.</li> <li>● Brushes may be disinfected with liquid chemical disinfectants in accordance with the disinfection manufacturer's IFUs. Be sure to check material compatibility information from the disinfectant manufacturer. Should be compatible with nylon and with stainless steel.</li> </ul>
<b>Drying</b>	
<b>Maintenance, Inspection and Testing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Inspect for wear, fraying or damaged bristles or the twisted wire shaft. If observed, the brush should be discarded in compliance with the disposal instructions described above.</li> <li>● Brushes should also be inspected between devices for any residual organic soil that might contaminate the next device cleaned. If there is visual soil, the brush should be cleaned in accordance with the method(s) described above.</li> <li>● If bristles are missing in spots/location from the original position do not use. Another method of inspecting a brush is to compare the used brush to a non-used (new brush) and if they are different (bent shaft, missing bristles, etc.) do not use the brush and get a new brush to continue the cleaning process.</li> <li>● Examples of normal brush and brush damage:</li> </ul>



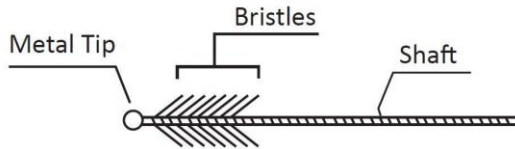
**Normal Brush**

Damaged brushes should not be used if your brush looks like the examples below, when compared to a new brush.



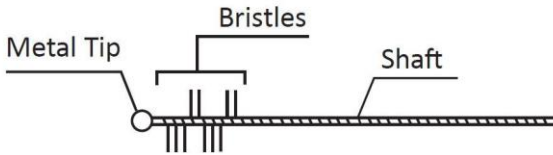
**Damage to the shaft**

If the shaft is bent in any way from the original position do not use.



**Fallen bristles**

If bristles are fallen not upright compared to the original position do not use.



**Loose or missing bristles**

If bristles are missing in spots/location from the original position do not use.

**Reassembly Instructions:**

**Packaging:**

**Sterilization:**

Terminal sterilization of brushes is not normally necessary. However, these brushes are compatible with steam sterilization.

**Storage:**

**Additional Information:**

Follow all manufacturers' directions for proper usage and disposal of all cleaning agents and chemical disinfectant agents.

**Related Healthmark Products**

Brush Cleaning Tools

**Other Product Support Documents**

ProSys™ Brochure, ProSys™ Price List

**Reference Documents**

**Customer Service Contact**

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