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INSTRUMENT MARKING TAPE

USER PROTOCOL:

Ensure that hands are clean and dry. Do not use hand creams after washing as this could deposit a greasy film on the instrument and adhesive. Rinsing in alcohol and rubbing dry best achieve clean hands.

Instruments should be freshly washed and de-greased by wiping with alcohol.

The tape is most easily removed from the sheet by folding the sheet along the score line and lifting from one end.

The tape should be applied on a part of the instrument where it is not tapered and therefore will remain flat.

The tape should wrap around itself at least once.

The instrument should then be autoclaved. This effectively shrinks the tape around the instrument and sets the tape-to-tape adhesion. The steam penetrates between the tape and metal and dissolves the adhesive.

The instrument should then be washed in the normal fashion and can then be circulated.

With normal usage, the tape should retain its color for about 3 to 6 months.

It may be removed by cutting with a sharp knife. It will fall away and leave no adhesive residue.