

Reprocessing Ultrasound Probes

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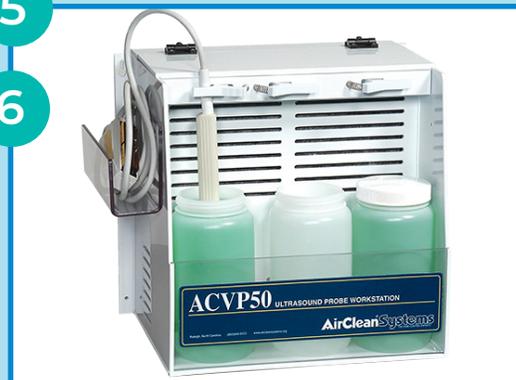


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Always don appropriate PPE

- Reference potential hazards
Reference IFU (Instructions For Use) for cleaning/HLD
- Complete point-of-care cleaning at patient beside before transport to reprocessing area per manufacturer's IFU

- 1 At completion of patient examination perform point of care pre-cleaning per the IFU
- 2 Transport to reprocessing suite in a properly labeled biohazard device
- 3 Perform manual cleaning per manufacturer's IFU to include enzymatic treatment and rinse— attention should be paid to enzymatic concentration, soak time, and rinse method
- 4 Dry the ultrasound probe prior to placing into the HLD— moisture droplets or debris can interfere with the disinfectant
- 5 Place the dried and cleaned ultrasound probe in high-level disinfectant container— if container is not positioned within a ventilated enclosure or hood exposure to HLD fumes should be monitored and controlled
- 6 Remove probe from HLD, following manufacturer's IFU, rinse probe at the intervals and frequency outlined in the guidance document for the HLD
- 7 Once chemical rinse is completed, dry the ultrasound probe to remove any moisture
- 8 Store in HEPA-filtered cabinet or transport ultrasound probe to next procedure