

Be sure to read this instruction manual before using this product.  
Keep this manual available for reference when needed.

## Instructions for Use

### Trade Name: Flexible Retractor, 2 hooks

#### **Warning**

Please read these instructions carefully prior to using this product. Product should be used according to these instructions and pay close attention to the safety of patients. Not doing so may give rise to serious problems or adverse events.

#### **For the US market**

Do not reuse the device when it is used on a patient with or suspected of having Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD) or variant CJD (vCJD).

#### **For the market outside the US**

When the device is used on a patient with or suspected of having CJD or vCJD, make sure to adhere to the most recent and updated restrictions available in each country and/or region for its reuse. Be cautious of the possibility of secondary infection. Refer to [www.a-k-i.org](http://www.a-k-i.org) or AAMI Standard ST79 for more information related to cleaning and sterilization.

#### **Contraindication / Prohibition**

1. Use for intended purpose only  
Use tools for their intended purposes only. Incorrect use could cause breakage of this product.
2. Prohibition of use of chemicals  
Avoid exposing this product to chemicals. Doing so could damage this product due to corrosion.
3. Prohibition of secondary processing of this product  
Do not apply any secondary processing to this product, for example, do not apply impacts or vibration markings to the surface of this product. Doing so could break this product.
4. Handle with care  
Handle this product with care, as it can be deformed or damaged. Rough handling could significantly reduce the service life of tools and appliances.
5. Prohibition of use of polishing powder and wire wool  
When cleaning this product, do not attempt to polish its surfaces with rough polishing powder or wire wool. This could cause scratches on the surfaces of this product and result in rust or corrosion.
6. Prohibition of use of household detergents  
Use only medical detergents to clean this product. Do not use any household detergent. Washing this product with an improper detergent could result in discoloration or corrosion.

#### **Shape / Structure**



Code No.	Product Description
03-001-26	Flexible Retractor, 2 hooks

Material: Stainless Steel

#### **Intended Purpose**

A hand-held, non-self-retaining surgical instrument intended to be used to separate/draw aside the margins of a wound/incision to allow access to tissues/organs during open surgery.

#### **Instructions for use**

Before using this product, inspect, wash, and sterilize in accordance with these instructions.

#### **Cautions / Warnings**

1. Warning  
Device must be sterilized by users in accordance with our recommended sterilization procedures or the validated sterilization conditions for which validity has been proven by medical organizations in each country or region.
2. Defect/Adverse event  
Defect
  - Corrosion and pitting caused by use of chemicals
  - Damage or breakage caused by the corrosion or pitting
 Adverse events
  - Broken pieces of metal from the damaged instrument falling into the patient.

#### **Storage / Life**

1. Please store the device in normal ambient temperature areas. Do not store in areas of high humidity where the temperature may dramatically vary causing condensation. Do not store on or near chemicals as the chemicals may cause damage to the device.
2. Service life of this product: 7 years  
(Subject to following manufacturer's specified maintenance, inspection and proper storage requirements.)

#### **Maintenance / Inspection**

1. Check prior to each use  
Operational and functional checks  
Conduct daily and pre-operation checks of this product to make sure that it functions properly.
2. Check after each use
  - (1) Immediately wash with clean water
    - (1)-1 If exposed to bleach or antiseptic solutions, wash and rinse with clean water immediately and immerse in neutral enzyme detergent to remove any bleach or antiseptic solution, which may contain chlorine or iodine and can damage the instrument. Manually remove contaminated matter by hand or with an ultrasonic-cleaner.
    - (1)-2 Further remove any remaining contamination with a soft nylon brush.
    - (1)-3 Select a proper detergent for each decontamination method and maintain appropriate density and handling.
    - (1)-4 Use a soft towel, a soft nylon brush, or a water jet for cleaning.
    - (1)-5 To avoid damage, do not use a metal brush, coarse polishing agents, or apply excessive force when handling the device.
    - (1)-6 Only use distilled water or deionized water (reverse osmosis) to wash this product.
    - (1)-7 Only use fully deionized water (reverse osmosis) for the final rinse.

(1)-8 It is recommended to use a washer-disinfector for this device

Thermal Disinfection can be used by following the manufacturer's defined parameters.: Thermal Disinfection Band:90-93 °C, 5-10 minutes (A0 value: 3000-12000) (reference EN ISO 15883-1)

- (2) Fully dry this product immediately after washing it.  
Do not leave it wet for a longer time than necessary as residual water may damage the instrument.
- (3) Only use distilled or deionized water  
Use distilled or deionized water to wash this product.  
Residual chlorine and organic matters in tap water may cause stainings and/or rust and may damage the instrument.
- (4) Use a water-based anticorrosive lubricant  
Lubricating oil is completely removed by washing. After washing this product, apply a water-based, anticorrosive lubricant prior to sterilization.

3. Sterilization

Device must be sterilized by users in accordance with validated sterilization procedures, such as an autoclave, that are regulated by medical organizations in each country or region.

The recommended sterilization parameters are as follows,

ISO/TS17665-2	
Temp.	Minimum exposure time
121°C / 249.8°F	15 Min
126°C / 258.8°F	10 Min
134°C / 273.2°F	3 Min

**For the US market**

FDA has not approved or cleared medical devices, including sterilizers, for the intended use of reducing the infectivity of TSE agents (i.e., prions).

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**Maintenance and check by agents**

For safe use of this instrument, inspect device prior to and after each use. Alternative or no review and/or inspection may cause injury to the patient and/or healthcare worker and may decrease the performance and function of this device. Additionally, it is recommended to schedule a periodic inspection through your local distributor or the manufacturer.

**Packing**

1 piece per pack

**Matters related to warranty period**

MIZUHO Corporation will repair defective parts of this product without charge for one year from the date of delivery/installment except for cases of damage caused by a third party's repair, act of nature, improper use or intentional damage. All other warranty terms and conditions are subject to regulations of MIZUHO Corporation.

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