

3M™ Steri-Drape™ Neurology Drapes

Commonly Asked Questions

Question:

Can the 3M Craniotomy Drape with loban 2 Incise Film be EO sterilized in my Custom Procedure Packs?

Answer:

No, loban incise specialty fabric drapes in non-barrier film packaging must be piggy-backed on the outside of a Custom Procedure Pack. Only loban incise drapes in barrier film packaging (6640EZ, 6648EZ, 6650EZ, 6651EZ, 6661EZ) can be included in Custom Procedure Packs that undergo EO sterilization. The active ingredient in loban 2 incise film is molecular iodine, I₂. It is well documented that when products containing iodine, like loban film, come in contact with ethylene oxide, ethylene iodohydrin can be produced. Ethylene iodohydrin can be a skin irritant at sufficient concentrations. For that reason, 3M does not recommend or condone ethylene oxide sterilization of drapes containing loban film once the drapes have been removed from their barrier film packaging (loban EZ incise drapes), or loban incise specialty fabric drapes in non-barrier film packaging. Another antimicrobial drape containing iodine cannot be the same as a 3M loban incise film if a product claim is made that the drape can be EO sterilized.

Question:

What is the shelf life? or What is the expiration date?

Answer:

The shelf life of the product can be determined by the expiration date which is included on the product's labeling. The word LOT in a box and the hourglass are symbols that represent the lot number and expiration date.

The hourglass is followed by a year and month which represent the expiration date (year and month: 2005-10). When the alpha digits are added, the entire line after the hourglass represents the lot number (2005-10 AZ).

For More Information

Contact your 3M Health Care Sales Representative, or call the 3M Health Care Customer Helpline at **1-800-228-3957**. These products can be ordered from your local distributor. Outside the United States, contact the local 3M subsidiary.



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Question:

What is the flammability rating of 3M surgical drapes?

Answer:

Steri-Drape surgical drapes classify as having normal flammability (Class 1) using the Consumer Product Safety Commission standard CFR 1610 for the Flammability of Clothing Textiles. The test is the current industry standard and is used to differentiate materials having normal flammability from those materials which exhibit rapid and intense burning.

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