

3M™ Surgical Clippers by Remington and Clipper Blade Assembly - 9602/9603

Commonly Asked Questions

Question:

How long is the charge time and how many minutes of running time does the clipper provide?

Answer:

The 9602 charges initially in 18-24 hours and 12-14 hours thereafter, and provides up to 45 minutes of running time. Since the 9603 is corded, run time is continuous.

Question:

Why should I use your clipper if it only runs for 45 minutes and Allegiance's (Cardinal Health) clipper runs for 60 minutes?

Answer:

For procedures which take longer than 30 minutes, we have a corded clipper (9603). We also have the 9661, which has 90-100 minutes of run time.

Question:

What is the warranty on the clippers?

Answer:

The warranty is one year from date of purchase.

Question:

Do the clippers come with blades?

Answer:

No, both the 9602 and 9603 are packaged without the blades. Product 9600 Clipper Blade Assembly is available separately.

Question:

Are the clippers UL approved?

Answer:

Yes, the clippers are double insulated, have a 2-prong plug and are UL approved.

Question:

What are the dimensions of the blade and how close to the skin does it clip?

Answer:

The blade width is 1 inch, length 1 inch. The clipper cuts hair to 1/16 inch (2.3 mm).

Question:

How do you prevent hair from flying all over the place?

Answer:

Clipped hair should be wiped away from the patient using a towel. Clipped hair remaining on the body can also be removed with adhesive tape such as 3M™ Transpore™ Surgical Tape.

Question:

How do you clean the 9602/9603 clippers?

Answer:

After use, place the switch in the "Off" position and remove the blade. Wipe the clipper body with a cloth or sponge dampened with alcohol or disinfectant solution.

Question:

Can I submerge the 9602/9603 clippers into a bath of water or disinfectant solution?

Answer:

No. The clippers are not designed to be water resistant or waterproof. For effective cleaning, simply dispose of the blade and wipe the clipper with alcohol or a disinfectant solution.

Question:

I noticed that the plugs on the cords of both the 9602/9603 clippers are two-pronged (not a grounded three-pronged plug). Is it safe to use in our hospital?

Answer:

Underwriters Laboratories (UL) has tested both Models 9602 and 9603 Surgical Clippers and authorized them to be UL Listed. The Medical Device Standard requires all approved products to be either double-insulated or supplied with a grounded three-pronged plug. Since both clippers are double-insulated, they do not require a grounding connection, therefore, a three-pronged plug is not needed. It is safe for use in your hospital.

Question:

How do I prepare the clipper for its initial use?

Answer:

For best results, charge the clipper in its stand for 18-24 hours before initial use. A 12-14 hour charge equals up to 45 minutes of run time.

Question:

Why is the clipper warm to the touch during charging?

Answer:

The warmth is created when electricity is converted from AC to DC. This is a normal phenomenon. The 3M Surgical Clipper family of products are designed to meet electrical safety standards and were approved by independent testing organizations.

Question:

Does the battery have a memory build-up?

Answer:

The 9602 cannot be overcharged and has sustained performance for up to 300 hours of use.

Question:

Are the blades sterile?

Answer:

No, the blades are not sold sterile. Since hair is removed prior to skin disinfection, sterile blades are not necessary.

Question:

The width of the blade is quite narrow, can it provide an adequate cut?

Answer:

Yes. A narrow blade can cut just as adequately as a wide blade. Please bear in mind that the human body is curved and not flat. The blade can only cut where it is in contact with the hair which is around the center of the blade. Using a wide blade would not cut any faster or better than a narrower blade. A narrow blade is easy to handle and allows better access to tight body contours.

Question:

How do I minimize the hair stubble length?

Answer:

Your 3M Surgical Clippers are designed to minimize skin trauma during hair removal. The stubble that remains after clipping is an indication of skin integrity. In order to minimize stubble length, hold the clipper blade at a 15-30 degree angle to the skin and clip hair against the growth.

Question:

Can I reuse the blades?

Answer:

No, the blade is designed and sold as a single-use item. It is our recommendation that the blade assembly be disposed of after each use and that it not be reprocessed and reused. Single use reduces the likelihood of cross-contamination between patients

Question:

Does the 9602/9603 clipper and accessories contain any latex components?

Answer:

No.

For More Information

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