

Name: Instrument Marking Tape

Product Codes: MKTxxx

Name of Manufacturer:



### Intended Use

Instrument Marking Tape is a range of self-adhesive strips intended to be affixed to surgical instruments for identification and traceability purposes. They are supplied in a range of plain, white-striped (“Zebra”) and black-striped (“Tiger”) colours. They are supplied in packs of 5 die-cut sheets or in sample ring binder folders

Instrument Marking Tape is intended to be used by professional healthcare personnel working in sterile services (or similar) departments.

### Sterilisation Compatibility

Instrument Marking Tape is compatible with steam sterilisation up to 137°C.  
Instrument Marking Tape is not compatible with any other type of sterilisation process.

### Storage Conditions

Instrument Marking Tape should be stored at 10-35°C and 20-80%RH.

### Single Instrument Use

Instrument Marking Tape is designated “single instrument use”. By “single instrument use”, Key Surgical means that it should not be used for attaching to more than one instrument - the tape should not be peeled off an instrument and re-affixed to a second instrument. Once affixed to an instrument, the Instrument Marking Tape may safely remain on the instrument during multiple sterilisation cycles.

## Precautions

Instrument Marking Tape should be stored away from any sources of ignition.

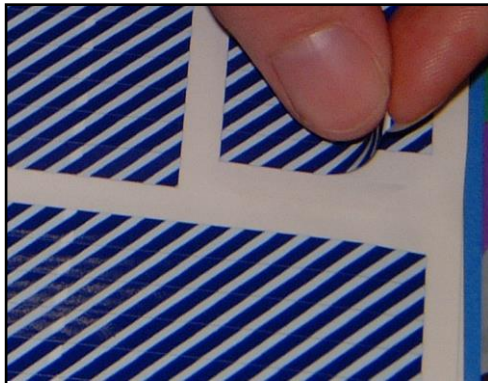
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## Disposal

Unused Instrument Marking Tape is should be disposed of to landfill or by incineration

## How to use Instrument Marking Tape

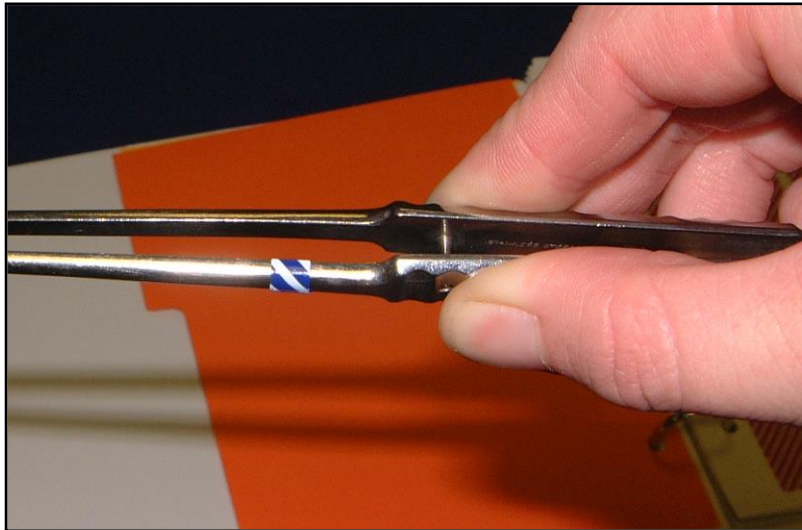
- 1) Ensure that hands are clean and dry. Do not use hand creams after washing as this could deposit a greasy film on the instrument and adhesive. Clean hands are best achieved by rinsing in alcohol and rubbing dry.
- 2) Instruments should be freshly washed and de-greased by wiping with alcohol.
- 3) Remove a strip from the sheet, lifting from one end.



- 4) Apply the tape to a part of the instrument where it is not tapered and therefore will remain flat. *Do not apply tape where it may interfere with the performance of the instrument or where it may affect the handling.*



5) **IMPORTANT:** The tape should wrap around itself at least once.



6) **IMPORTANT:** The instrument should then be autoclaved before use by any health professionals. This effectively shrinks the tape around the instrument and sets the tape to tape adhesion which ensures that the tape can then survive multiple sterilisation cycles.

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

8) With normal usage, the marking tape should retain its colour for about 3 to 6 months, dependent on the number of sterilisation cycles the tape is submitted to. Key Surgical is not able to advise on how many sterilisation cycles a piece of marker tape will survive, the best guide to when it needs replacing is when the colour begins to lessen.

9) Marking Tape may be removed by cutting with a sharp knife. Any adhesive remaining on the instrument may be removed by scrubbing with a scouring pad. Hot water to soften the adhesive may help with the removal.