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Attention Valued Customer:

We appreciate your continued interest in the Stryker Therapeutic Surface product line. In order to maintain the effectiveness and safety of your mattress covers, certain cleaning procedures are recommended.

If there are no visible signs of body fluids and/or substances, a non-abrasive cleaning solution (warm, soapy water) and a clean soft cloth should be used to clean the surface. A disinfectant may be applied, ensuring that the recommended concentration is used. Do not allow the disinfectant to pool on the surface. Once the disinfectant is dried, the surface must be rinsed thoroughly with clean water to avoid breakdown of the polyurethane cover. Included is a list of Stryker approved cleaners, if the cleaner you are using is not listed, this may simply mean that testing with your cleaner and our surface may be still be in process.

If you are using an accelerated hydrogen peroxide (AHP) like Virox, the manufacturer (Virox Technologies Inc.) recommends a 1:64 dilution to be more suitable for soft, porous surfaces. It will still achieve broad spectrum sanitizing in 30 seconds, however, at 1:64 it will no longer achieve full bactericidal and virucidal disinfection. This being said, many infection control professionals in large tertiary medical centers, feel that sanitizing is sufficient for surfaces such as mattresses or mattress pads. For the cleaning and disinfection of soft, porous surfaces the manufacturer strongly recommends following disinfection with a damp wipe/rinse and then allowing to dry.

All disinfectant chemistries are not intended for use on soft porous surfaces; they are designed to disinfect hard environmental surfaces such as table tops, floors, food processing equipment and non-critical instruments such as bed pans, stethoscopes etc. As a result, when these products are absorbed into soft porous fabrics, breakdown can occur over time. Therefore, the recommendations listed above should be followed to assist with preserving the integrity of your surface.

If you require any additional information, please don't hesitate to contact your Stryker sales representative.

Sincerely,

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