

FAQs for

ProTector®

Needle Sheath Prop and Infectious Waste Bags



What is the Pro Tector Needle Sheath Prop and how is it used?

This product is a disposable card that holds the needle cap of an anesthetic needle to facilitate safe one-handed recapping between injections or after injection is completed. Place the Prop over the needle cap during assembly. Then when the cap is removed, the Prop is already in place for one-handed recapping.

How does the Pro Tector Needle Sheath Prop meet recommendations for sharps safety?

Pro Tector Needle Sheath Prop promotes the safe work practice of one handed re-capping by holding the cap securely and providing a stable target. (Using the “scoop” technique may contaminate or bend the needle.) In addition, the Pro Tector Needle Sheath Prop provides protection during injections by keeping the hand behind a barrier when removing the cap and during disassembly in case the cap is accidentally dislodged from the needle.

Can the Needle Sheath Prop be autoclaved?

Yes. If using Needle Sheath Props for a sterile surgery set-up, place the prop in the surgery pack with other disposables and instruments, wrap and sterilize as usual. The Needle Sheath Prop is designed for single use. Do not autoclave for re-use.

Do Pro Tector Infectious Waste Bags meet state specifications for non-sharps biomedical waste disposal bags?

Yes, they meet the stringent criteria for New York and Florida “red bag” standards. They are red, bear the standard biohazard symbol, include “infectious waste” text in both English and Spanish, are free of polychlorinated filler plastics and meet or exceed ASTM D-1709-91 and ASTM D-1922-89 tear and impact resistance standards: Impact resistance of 165 grams; tear resistance of 480 grams in both parallel and perpendicular planes with respect to the length of the bag.

Can Pro Tector Infectious Waste Bags be used for sharps disposal?

No, sharps must be collected in rigid, puncture-proof containers.

Can Pro Tector Infectious Waste Bags be autoclaved?

No, they will melt.