

General instructions for reprocessing



Information about reprocessing of medical devices of
Fritz Ruck Ophthalmologische Systeme GmbH

According to EN ISO 17664



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Abbreviations

Fritz Ruck GmbH	Fritz Ruck Ophthalmologische Systeme GmbH
KRINKO	Kommission für Krankenhaushygiene und Infektionsprävention
CDD	Cleaning- and disinfection device
CJD	Creutzfeldt-Jakob-Disease
vCJD	variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob-Disease

1. Introduction

The medical products from Fritz Ruck Ophthalmologische Systeme GmbH (Fritz Ruck GmbH), which are intended for reuse, are placed on the market in non-sterile condition and must always be processed properly before each use. The reprocessing of reusable medical devices that are intended for sterile use generally includes the following individual steps, which we also consider essential to protect patients, users and third parties from possible health risks:

- Preparation
- Cleaning, disinfection and drying
- Maintenance and examination
- Labelling
- Packaging
- Sterilization

However, the responsibility for effective reprocessing lies with the respective reprocessor of the medical devices, considering the information provided by the manufacturer. As part of this responsibility, it should be noted that all reprocessing procedures must be validated. This means that:

- basically, only device- and product-specific validated procedures for cleaning, disinfection and sterilization are used,
- the used equipment is regularly maintained and checked and
- the validated reprocessing parameters are adhered to for each reprocessing cycle.

It should be noted that the person(s) responsible for the reprocessing of the medical devices is(are) knowledgeable in order to carry out a proper and quality-assured reprocessing.

With the provision of this general reprocessing instruction according to EN ISO 17664, the reprocessor has validated procedures available which enable the reusable products of Fritz Ruck GmbH to be reprocessed properly. It ensures that safety and performance are guaranteed before the first and every further use.

2. Applicable standards

EN ISO 17664.

3. Validity


Tab. 1: Fritz Ruck GmbH products intended for reprocessing in the appendix describes all products for which this general reprocessing instruction applies.


4. Limitation of reprocessing

Tab. 1: Fritz Ruck GmbH products intended for reprocessing in the appendix describes the maximum permissible reprocessing cycles for each product.


5. Cautions and warnings


The cautions and warnings are presented as follows:


	CAUTION Cautions require special attention and serve to prevent damage to the device. Non-compliance with this warning can lead to damage of property or the environment. R##
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	WARNING Warnings have highest importance. They contain warnings about possible physical injuries. Observe without exception. R##
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The following cautions and warnings apply to these reprocessing instructions:

	CAUTION Improper handling can damage sensitive products, e.g. the I / A handles or the phaco needles. R01
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	CAUTION A sudden cooling phase or cool irrigation fluid can cause stress cracks due to the high temperature difference. R02
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	WARNING The reprocessing of medical devices that are intended for single use is not permitted. A (repeated) reprocessing with subsequent use can lead to risks for patients, users and third parties. R03
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WARNING

Residues of cleaning agents that remain on the product due to improper rinsing can cause serious damage to the patient.

R04



WARNING

Effective sterilization is only possible on dry, cleaned and disinfected products.

R05



WARNING

Exceeding the maximum permissible reprocessing cycles can impair the performance and safety of the medical device and become a risk for patients, users and third parties.

R06



WARNING

Deviations from the reprocessing methods described can both impair the sterilization efficiency and lead to damage to the products.

R07

6. Initial treatment at the place of use

- 6.1. Clean the used products in accordance to your requirements for occupational health and infection protection immediately after use. Pay particular attention to the following:
 - For initial treatment, generally use water that has at least drinking water quality.
 - Separate connected medical devices. Pay attention to the instructions for use, to the information in the relevant chapter of the accessories manual for Qube pro and to *Tab. 1: Fritz Ruck GmbH products intended for reprocessing* from the appendix (e.g: phaco handle and phaco needles.).
 - If necessary, disassemble products according to the instructions in the relevant chapter in the accessories manual for Qube pro (e.g: oil infusion unit).
 - Remove coarse dirt under running water.
 - You can use soft, lint-free cloths or soft brushes as an aid.
 - Do not use detergents.
 - Do not use metal brushes or steel wool.
- 6.2. Place the used products properly in suitable closed systems, such as instrument trays or sterile goods containers:
 - Be careful not to damage sensitive products (see cautions R01).
 - Use dry disposal to prevent corrosion and maintain the value of the products.
 - Ideally, the transport system is suitable for going through the subsequent process of machine reprocessing.
- 6.3. Apply the products to the reprocessing unit for medical devices within one hour after use.

7. Treatment before cleaning

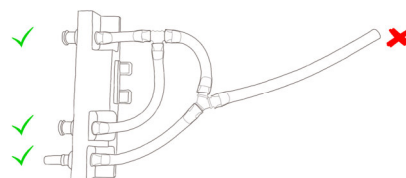
- 7.1. Carry out an initial treatment of the products used as described under 6.1 *Initial treatment at the place of use* if not already done.
- 7.2. Perform an ultrasonic cleaning with the following process parameters:

Detergent:	Dr. Weigert, neodisher MediClean forte
Concentration:	2 %
Duration:	5 Min.
Temperature:	Room temperature
Frequency:	35 kHz

- 7.3. When loading, make sure that all surfaces can come into contact with the cleaning solution without restrictions.
- 7.4. After ultrasonic cleaning, rinse the inner lumen of hollow instruments at least once with a 20 ml syringe filled with deionized water (see warning R04).

8. Cleaning and disinfection

- 8.1. We recommend using a cleaning and disinfection device (CDD) that complies with the ISO 15883 series for machine cleaning.
- 8.2. When loading the CDD, note that all surfaces can come into contact with the cleaning solution without restrictions.
- 8.3. Connect all products with inner lumen to the flushing ports by their Luer-connectors and ensure that there are no disconnections during the process:
 - There is a risk of carryover of cleaning agent residues if inner lumens are not effectively rinsed (see warning note R04).
 - Take special care for 03QA20 – *Side Element for Cassette Body*. All 3 three Luer-connectors shall be connected to the flushing ports. Ensure, that the open end of the tubing system is not connected to establish proper flow.
 - Accessories without a Luer-connector (e.g. silicone sleeves) must be secured against disconnection from the flushing port using adapters or other measures.
- 8.4. Secure small parts that cannot be secured in any other way in special small parts baskets.
- 8.5. The following procedure has been validated for the proof of machine cleaning and disinfection for reusable products from Fritz Ruck GmbH:



CDD Miele PG 8535

Process step	Parameter	
Pre-rinse	Duration	1 Min.
	Detergent	Tap water
	Temperature	Cold water inlet
Cleaning	Duration	10 Min.
	Detergent	Dr. Weigert, Neodisher MediClean forte
	Concentration	0,5 %, in tap water
	Temperature	55 °C - 1,5 °C
Neutralization	Duration	1 Min.
	Detergent	Dr. Weigert, Neodisher Z
	Concentration	0,1%, in deionized water
Intermediate rinse	Temperature	Cold water inlet
	Duration	1 Min.
	Detergent	Deionized water
Final rinse and thermal disinfection	Temperature	Cold water inlet
	Duration	5 Min.
	Detergent	Deionized water
	Temperature	90 °C + 1,5 °C

- 8.6. The steps *Neutralization* and *Intermediate rinse* are very important to prevent alkaline carryover of cleaning agent residues (see warning note R04).
- 8.7. The specified parameters for thermal disinfection correspond to an equivalent A_0 value of 3000 according to ISO 15883-1. Higher A_0 values are therefore covered by this validation.

9. Drying

- 9.1. It is necessary that the products are dried after automatic cleaning and disinfection.
- 9.2. The following CDD-program has proven itself in practice:

Process step	Parameter	
Drying	Duration:	15 Min.
	Temperature:	109 °C ± 1,5 °C

- 9.3. After machine drying, note the additional information in *Tab. 1: Fritz Ruck GmbH products intended for reprocessing* from the appendix and carry them out
- 9.4. Validation of the drying process is within the responsibility of the operator. Make sure that only dry products are handed over to the following process steps (see warning note R05).

10. Maintenance and examination

- 10.1. Carry out a visual check for the cleanliness and functionality of the products. Pay special attention to clogged inner lumens.
- 10.2. Use a magnifying glass or a microscope as an aid.
- 10.3. The criteria for sorting out products are as follows:
 - Corroded surfaces.
 - Damaged surfaces, cables or plugs.
 - Deformed phaco tips or I/A handles.
- 10.4. If a visual inspection reveals that a product is not clean, carry out steps 8. & 9. *Cleaning, disinfection and drying* again.
- 10.5. Now, if necessary, assemble disassembled products according to the instructions in the respective chapter in the accessories manual for Qube pro.

11. Packaging

- 11.1. Before sterilization, the products must be packed in a sterile barrier system suitable for the following sterilization process, storage and transport, which is adapted to the properties of the product. If necessary, with a protective packaging.
- 11.2. In accordance with EN ISO 11607-1, packaging that meets the following requirements is suitable:
 - Enable sterilization.
 - Ensurance of sterility when stored correctly.
- 11.3. The reprocessing process was validated by Fritz Ruck GmbH in sterile bags, which consist of a combination of paper and film with a seal in accordance to EN ISO 11607-1.

12. Sterilization

- 12.1. Please note that only dry, cleaned and disinfected products may be sterilized (see warning R05).
- 12.2. We expressly recommend the use of a sterilization process according to the standard *EN ISO 17665 – Sterilization of health care products – Moist heat*.
- 12.3. The following procedure has been validated to demonstrate successful sterilization for reusable products from Fritz Ruck GmbH:

Steam autoclave	Lautenschläger ZentraCert
Procedure:	Steam sterilization (fractional pre-vacuum process)
Pre-vacuum cycles:	At least 3
Temperature:	134 °C + 1,5 °C
Duration:	3 Min.
Drying time:	-

- 12.4. The drying time depends on the device used and the load. The operator is responsible for validating the drying time.
- 12.5. Allow the products to cool down completely at room temperature (see caution R02).
- 12.6. Exceeded sterilization duration > 3 Min are covered by this validation and do also lead to products that are free from living microorganisms.

13. Storage

- 13.1. Always store processed products packaged, dry, dust-protected, clean and free of pests.
- 13.2. The final storage period must be validated by the operator, depending on the packaging used.

14. Transport

- 14.1. Use suitable means for inner-clinical transport in order not to endanger the integrity of the sterile barrier.

15. Additional information

- All described procedures and recommendations of Fritz Ruck GmbH are based on validation by independent, accredited test laboratories.
- Deviations from the described method or the cleaning agents used are fundamentally possible but are in the responsibility of the operator and must be validated separately.
- Specified permissible reprocessing cycles are only valid for the described method. Deviations may significantly shorten the lifetime of the medical devices
- Since operations in ophthalmology pose a risk with regard to the transmission of the CJD or vCJD, the KRINKO guideline *Hygiene Requirements for the Reprocessing of Medical Devices* recommends a sterilization holding period of **at least 5 minutes at 134 °C** in combination with an alkaline cleaning (see Appendix 7 of the guideline). For all Fritz Ruck GmbH products that are covered by these reprocessing instructions, it has been demonstrated that a sterilization holding time of 5 minutes does not result in any material changes that limit the performance or the safety of the medical device.

Appendix

Tab. 1: Fritz Ruck GmbH products intended for reprocessing

REF	Description	Permissible reprocessing cycles	Disassembly	Additional information for drying
02BI39	Cable for Diathermy, Bipol E, 3 m for bipolar forceps and endothermic pencils	50	See accessories manual	Dry plug with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02BI40	Cable for Diathermy, Bipol E, 1,80 m for bipolar forceps and endothermic pencils	50	See accessories manual	Dry plug with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02BI44	Cable for internal diathermy for metal forceps and endothermic pencils	50	See accessories manual	Dry plug with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02BI46	Cable for bipolar diathermy for plastic forceps and endothermic pencils	50	See accessories manual	Dry plug with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02BI47	Cable for diathermy, Bipol E for bipolar plastic forceps and pencils	50	See accessories manual	Dry plug with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02IA21	I/A Handle 21 G, Tip angled 45° (with Sleeve)	50	Disassemble sleeve!	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02IA30	I/A Handle 19 G, straight	50	Disassemble sleeve!	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02IA31	I/A Handle 19 G, Tip angled 45°	50	Disassemble sleeve!	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02IA32	I/A Handle 19 G, straight (with Sleeve)	50	Disassemble sleeve!	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02IA33	I/A Handle 19 G, Tip angled 45° (with Sleeve)	50	Disassemble sleeve!	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02IA34	I/A Handle 19 G, Tip angled 30° (with Sleeve)	50	Disassemble sleeve!	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02IA36	Bimanual Aspiration Handle 21 G (with sand-blasted tip, Ø 0,35 mm)	50	-	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02IA37	Bimanual Aspiration Handle 21 G (with sand-blasted tip, Ø 0,25 mm)	50	-	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02IA38	Bimanual Irrigation Handle 21 G (with sand-blasted tip, two ports Ø 0,5 mm)	50	-	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02PH42	Phaco Handle, Titan	50	Disassemble sleeve and phaco needle!	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
02PH58	Phaco Wrench 5R (Stainless Steel)	50	-	-
02ÖL10	Oil Injection Unit	50	See accessories manual	-
02ÖL32	Connection Tube for Silicone Oil Injection	50	-	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH50	Phako Tip `E`, 30°, Ø 1,2 mm / 0,9 mm (low bubble)	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH51	Phako Tip `E`, 45°, Ø 1,2 mm / 0,9 mm (low bubble)	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH55	Phako Tip `Turbo`, 30°, Ø 1,2 mm / Ø 0,7 mm (low bubble)	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH59-45	Phako Tip `Turbo`, 45°, Ø 0,8 mm / Ø 0,5 mm (low bubble)	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH60	Phako Tip Fragmentation, 30°, 20 G, Ø 0,85 mm / Ø 0,65 mm	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH61-30	Phako Tip `E`, 30°, Ø 0,9 mm / Ø 0,7 mm (low bubble)	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH61-45	Phakonadel `E`, 45°, Ø 0,9 mm / 0,7 mm (low bubble)	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH62	Phako Tip `Turbo`, 30°, 0,89 mm (low bubble)	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH62B	Phako Tip bent `Turbo`, 30°, Ø 0.89mm	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar

REF	Description	Permissible reprocessing cycles	Disassembly	Additional information for drying
03PH62RB	Phaco Tip reverse bent 'Turbo', 30°, Ø 0.89mm	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH63	Phaco Tip 'Mini Turbo', 30°, (for incision size 1,8 mm)	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH63B	Phaco Tip bent 'Mini-Turbo', 30°, Ø 0.8mm	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH63RB	Phaco Tip reverse bent 'Mini-Turbo', 30°, Ø 0.8mm	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH66	Phaco Tip Fragmentation 30°, 23 G, Ø 0,60 mm / Ø 0,50 mm	50	Remove the sleeve, unscrew the needle from the handle. First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar
03PH68	Phaco needle wrench	50	First delivery: Separate phaco tip and phaco wrench.	-
03PH80	Silicone sleeve 'standard', light-blue, soft 19g	25	Disassembly from the handle	-
03PH87	Silicone Infusion Sleeve, Limpid, 21g, Small Incision Technique	25	Disassembly from the handle	-
03PH90	Test chamber	25	Disassembly from the handle	-
03QA20	Side Element For Cassette Body	25	Disassemble from Day Cassette System.	Dry inner lumina with filtered compressed air. Do not exceed 2.5 bar