Suction Canister Hardware Cleaning Policy

DeRoyal’s suction canister hardware refers to DeRoyal® reusable outer canisters for our SafeLiner® System, mounting brackets, roll stands and other accessory items. The outer shells are the reusable component and do not need to be replaced on a regular basis. Because these outer shells are reused, they should be cleaned according to the following recommendations:

**O.R. and Other High Volume Areas**
These containers should be wiped down daily due to high patient volume. They should be kept clean of visible dirt and debris at all times.

**Patient Rooms**
These containers should be wiped down after each patient to ensure sanitary conditions. If the patient is contagious or suffering from a communicable disease, the containers should be wiped daily. They should be kept clean of visible debris at all times.

**Critical Care Units (except NICU)**
These containers should be wiped down after each patient to ensure a sanitary environment. They should be kept clean of debris at all times.

**NICU**
These containers should be cleaned after each patient use and should be kept clean of visible dirt and debris at all times. For patients with extended length of stays (greater than 1 week), the canisters should be cleaned weekly, regardless of use.

**Approved Cleansers**
Acetone-based cleaners should be avoided. Refer to the Safety Data Sheet of your current cleaning agent for a list of ingredients. DeRoyal tested and approves the use of Super Sani-Cloth®, Sani-Cloth® Plus, and CaviWipes™.

**Replacement**
When cleaned, the shells should be inspected for visible cracks, fissures, or splinters. Should any of these conditions be observed, the outer shell should be replaced. Bubbles, specks, or blemishes in or on the plastic will not affect performance and does not warrant replacement.

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