

TECHNICAL BULLETIN

DISINFECTION OF NIHON KOHDEN MONITORING EQUIPMENT

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AFFECTED PART(S):	All parts
SUBJECT:	Disinfection of Nihon Kohden Monitoring Equipment

As part of Nihon Kohden's continuing effort to support healthcare providers, we want to make you aware of the cleaning and disinfection recommendations from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). According to these recommendations, alcohol-based and other types of mild disinfectants are sufficient to inactivate SARS-CoV-2, while *Clostridium difficile* organisms (bacteria and spores) may be susceptible to inactivation with some peroxide based cleaning agents and other disinfectants under certain conditions.

- 01. [EPA list of disinfectants for use against COVID-19](#)
- 02. [US EPA list Registered Antimicrobial Products Effective Against Clostridium difficile Spores](#)

Bleach-based cleaning products are likely to damage the plastic and cause deterioration of other parts on Nihon Kohden monitoring equipment. Therefore, the direct and indirect (for example, intrusion of fluid) damage caused by the use of bleach-based cleaning products on Nihon Kohden patient monitoring products will not be covered by the product warranty. All other product defects that are unrelated to the use of bleach-based cleaning agents, however, will continue to be covered by the warranty. For additional cleaning and disinfection instructions related to specific products, please see document *MMLB 045 Disinfecting and Cleaning Nihon Kohden Products* or the product Operator's Manual.

We will continue to provide additional updates as new information becomes available. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact us at 1-800-325-0283.

Thank you,

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