

IX. CARE AND MAINTENANCE

IX.A. Cleaning And Disinfecting Instructions

Keep the probe tip clean and disinfected. To prevent patient-to-patient infection, after each patient wipe the probe with a Q-tip soaked in 70% isopropyl alcohol, and then immerse the probe tip for 10 minutes in 70% isopropyl alcohol. The tip should be rinsed in sterile distilled water before using.

***** CAUTION *****

The probe should **NEVER** be autoclaved or subjected to intense heat. As a general rule, the above cleaning instructions are sufficient to disinfect the probe in ordinary use. Do not scratch or chip the conical probe tip, which makes contact with the cornea.

IX.B. Transport and Storage Conditions

The *Pachmate* is capable, while packed for transport or storage, of being exposed for a period not exceeding 15 weeks to environmental conditions not outside the following ranges:

1. An ambient temperature range of -40°C to 70°C.
2. A relative humidity range of 10% to 100%, including condensation.
3. An atmospheric pressure range of 500 hPa to 1060 hPa.

IX.C. Operating Conditions

The *Pachmate* should be operated between temperatures of +18°C. to +40°C.