ATTENTION TO OPERATE YOUR STERILIZER
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE

Consolidated Stills & Sterilizers

Serial Number 040907
Electrically Heated Sterilizer
Consolidated Model SR-24A-PB

Controlled Sterilizers
Solid-State Digital Automatic
"Mark II"

Operating Manual
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steel. NEVER use CHLORIDE based cleaners to
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5. CHART RECORDER & CONTROLLER

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sterilization are also available.

Within the Mark II control system, specialized sterilization cycles, such as low-temperature sterilization, are available. Many optional items, such as automatic jacket and gasket blow-down, are available.

machines are available from your local service representative. Only a few of the solenoids, valves, and steam-taps used in our components on our machines whenever possible to minimize down time and service costs contribute to the overall efficiency and reliability. One of our design goals is to use off-the-shelf components for quality and reliability. Consoliated sterilizers have been on the market since 1948 and enjoy an excellent reputation for quality and reliability. The Mark II controls are identical for both types.

Our sterilizers can either be supplied for connection to direct building steam supply or 80 PSI or pressure, or some equipped with an integral, electrically heated steam generator. The Mark II control system continuously monitors and visually displays the relevant temperature and pressures in the sterilizer. It also automatically initiates and control sterilization cycle -- condenses, sterilizes, and exhausts -- for greater assurance of sterilization.

Each phase of the sterilization cycle -- condensing, sterilizing, and exhausting -- is shown by the control system, allowing for greater flexibility in sterilizing heat and moisture sensitive materials by means of pressure sterilization. These sterilizers are available in several different chamber sizes.

The fully automated Consoliated SSR and SR series of sterilizers are intended for use by

1. Introduction
WARNING: BURN HAZARD

1.1.2 Starting a Cycle

To reach atmosphere before carefully opening the door, the access panel below the chamber door. Wait for the pressure inside the chamber manual exhaust valve (located Manual Steam Exhaust Valve) visible by removing the cover to expose the reading. This will allow all power to be turned off. Once the system is open, the green-handled red POWR key on the keypad assembly.

Please note that if a cycle is stopped prior to successful completion, it must be considered incomplete and the load must be reprocessed (unwrapped goods).

Please ensure that all cycle is aborted prior to successful completion.

1.1.1 Aborting a Cycle

Before operating the sterilizer,

The following safety instructions appear in this manual. Please read them carefully.

STERILE DEVICE

WARNING: RISK OF NON-
Please see Section 3.3 on Sterilizing Fluids.

**WARNING**

- Sterilized liquids are not intended for direct patient contact.

- Burst or crack fluids during removal from the chamber. Otherwise, the containers may not complete the FLUIDS cycle. Take care that you do not agitate the contents during the process.

- If the wrong cycle is selected to sterilize liquids, the containers may burst.

**HAZARD**

- Injury: Fluids

### 1.1.4 Sterilizing Fluids

Please see Section 7.2 on load preparation before you start operating the machine.

**WARNING**

- Users MUST wear protective clothing and equipment when preparing goods for sterilization or when in the decontamination area.

- It is important to be aware of the decontamination area of the sterile processing department. Please note that airborne microorganisms and particulate contamination is likely to be present.

**INFECTION RISK OF**

**WARNING**

- Infection: Risk of

### 1.1.3 Preparing the Load

Before you start operating the machine:

- Button on the selector switch to start the cycle. See Section 6 for a complete list.

- For the type of cycle you are running (Fluid, Dry, or Fluids), turn on the red power light.

To start a cycle, make sure the door is hand-held. Press the appropriate selector switch.
The Mark II Controller was designed with simplicity of operation in mind. The controller allows setting of sterilization time and dry time (for a dry cycle only). LEDs on the controller show when the machine is in the sterilize mode and when it is in the exhaust mode. The chart recorder displays sterilizer temperature vs. time. Figure 2.1 shows a typical Mark II controller with a chart recorder. Figure 2.2 shows the chart recorder in sterilize or exhaust modes, executes selected cycles, and prints a sterilizer cycles, sequence of sterilization, and times for sterilization and dry. It displays sterilization cycles, sequence of sterilization, and times for sterilization and dry. It displays sterilization cycles, sequence of sterilization, and times for sterilization and dry.
2.7 Chart Recorder

The chart recorder offers a chart of time vs. temperature for your sterilization cycle. You can also set the temperatures for your sterilization cycle on the chart recorder. See section 4 for more information.

2.6 M211 Controller

Turn on the M211 controller. You can set the sterilizer and exhaust in case of a Dry cycle (time and view the sterilizer).

2.5 Jacket Reset Button and Light

Select button and wait for the jacket pressure to build up. Before you can start a new cycle, you need to press the jacket.

When the green jacket light (see figure 2.1) comes on, you need to press the jacket.

2.4 Cycle Selector Switch

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2.3 Circuit Breaker

Make sure this gauge registers zero before you attempt to open the door. The chamber pressure gauge shows the steam pressure in the chamber at all times. Make sure this gauge registers zero before you attempt to open the door.
Choose a FAST cycle if you are sterilizing instruments or other items that do not require a drying phase or are not liquids. At the conclusion of the sterilization phase of the FAST cycle, please see section 4.3.

3.2 FAST

Choose which type of cycle you want to run, depress the ON/Off switch to start a cycle.

With the ON/Off switch in the ON position, select the type of cycle you want to run by pressing the FAST, FLUID, or DRY button as in Figure 3.1 above. After you have pressed the FAST, FLUID, or DRY button, the selected button will light up.

Figure 3.1 Cycle Selector Switch

The cycle selector switch is located on the front of the sterilizer near the controller (see Figure 3.1). The cycle selector switch is used to select the type of cycle to run and to start a cycle.

3. Cycle Selector Switch Operation
Liquids (solutions, water, media, etc.)

Minimum Recommended Exposure Times at 250°F (121°C) for

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When the chamber pressure reaches atmosphere, the end-of-cycle buzzer will sound.

To achieve a sterilization phase of the FLUID cycle, the steam pressure in the chamber will be reduced as quickly as possible and the end-of-cycle buzzer will sound.

*WARNING*

3.3 FLUID

Sterile liquids are not included for direct patient contact.
end-of-cycle buzzer will sound after the required number of minutes in DRY time.

Choose a DRY cycle if you are sterilizing packs, instruments, or other items that require a 3.4 DRY

HAZARD
WARNING: INJURY

burst or crack. Fluids during removal from the chamber. Otherwise the containers may
After completion of a FLUIDS cycle, take care that you do not agitate the

or crack during the process.
If the wrong cycle is selected to sterilize fluids, the containers may burst

longer to come up to temperature.

1. Utilize smaller volumes whenever possible. Larger volumes of liquid will take
2. If trays are placed in plastic containers, they are suggested minimum exposure times. Additional time may be required.

Note:
Section 4.3: Always ensure the atmosphere inside the chamber. For low-temp equipped sterilizers, please:
- Ensure the sterilizer door is closed and the pressure gauge is correct for the pressure.
- Open the exhaust valve. The buzzer will sound. Do not open the valve at the end of the exhaust phase.
- After the end of the exhaust phase, the unit will automatically be set to the sterilization phase.
- Once the sterilization reaches the set sterilization temperature, the sterilize light will come on and stay on for the duration of the sterilization period. If the cycle is believed to be too long, the sterilize light will come on and stay on for the duration of the sterilization period. If the cycle is believed to be too long, the sterilize light will come on and stay on for the duration of the sterilization period.

**Figure 4.1**

**MK II Controller**

**Digits Represent Minutes**

- **Exhausting**
  - Digits: 0
- **Sterilizing**
  - Digits: 0, 3, 0

**MK II Controller**

- **Day (Minutes):** 20
- **Sterilize (Minutes):** 30
- **Remaining Time:**
  - Display: Time remaining
  - Time: Time elapsed

4. MKII Controller
4.1 Setting Sterilization Time

4.2 Setting Dry Time

Note that the Dry Time is only in effect if the selected cycle on the cycle selector switch is Figure 3.1 (i.e., PAST or PALM) and the controller will ignore the Dry Time set on the Dry Time Setting thumbwheel (see Figure 4.1). Turn the Dry Time Setting thumbwheel (see Figure 4.1) to the desired number of minutes for the Dry Phase.
TO RUN a LOW-TEMP cycle, make sure you follow the selector switch on the WKI
controller to LOW-TEMP. See Figure 4.2 below. The LOW-TEMP light will be on
during the cycle.

Service Personnel:

If water leaks from the front of the sterilizer, DO NOT open the door. Contact
while opening the door.

Steam released from the sterilizer chamber can cause serious burns. Stand away
and proper lab attire, when attempting to load and unload the chamber materials.

The operator MUST wear protective clothing including face shield, thermal gloves,

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De-sterilize the temperature in the chamber.

-de-sterilize the temperature in the chamber.

This will prevent moisture from entering the chamber, which may
beginning of the day when the sterilizer is cold and the jacket has not been
pressure of the day when the sterilizer is hot and the jacket has been heated to

4) It is highly recommended that you schedule all LOW-TEMP sterilization at the
always check the chamber pressure gauge before opening the door of the sterilizer

3) During a LOW-TEMP cycle, the chamber is NOT pressurized. You should
allow circulation of the air-stream mixture throughout the load.

2) Make sure that you leave sufficient space between the articles in the chamber to
allow air circulation.

1) Make sure you set the chart recorder (see section 5) to a temperature in the range

When running a LOW-TEMP cycle, you should pay attention to the following:

Before opening the door:

- When the end-of-cycle buzzer sounds, make sure the chamber pressure gauge reads ZERO.
- depress any of the cycle selector switch. The LOW-TEMP cycle will commence. After
- 212°F. Press the RED ON/OFF switch (Figure 4.3) to the ON position. You do not need to
- 172°F in Figure 5.1. A temperature in the range of 172°F to
- (Figure 4.4) are all in LOW-TEMP mode. Make sure that the sterilizer door is sealed and
- the chamber Steam-Low-TEMP control switch
- make sure that the LOW-TEMP selector switch (Figure 4.2), the Chamber Steam-Low-

If your machine is equipped with LOW-TEMP cycle capability, to start a cycle, you should

**ONLY**

This section applies to machines equipped with LOW-TEMP STEAM RATION CYCLE

4.3 Low Temp Cycle
Figure 4.3

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LOW-TEMP. See Figure 4.3 below.
You should also make sure to toggle the Chamber Steam LOW-Temp Control switch to

Figure 4.2

M&II LOW-TEMP Controller Face Plate
Finally, make sure you toggle the jacket steam LOW-Temp Control switch to LOW-Temp as depicted below in Figure 4.4.
also allows you to set the sterilization temperature.

The chart recorder (see Figure 5.1) records a chart of time vs. sterilization temperature. It

**Figure 5.1**

Chart Recorder/Controller

5. Chart Recorder & Controller
Chart time with the chart place index (see Figure 5.1).

Do not release the stylus pen arm. Install the new chart paper. When the proper
the uppermost end of the arm. Lift the old chart forward on the hub and slide down and
Knob anti-counter-clockwise out of the way. Raise the stylus pen by pressing on the tab at
chart knop (see Figure 5.1) and swing the chart

To remove the old chart, uncenter the chart knob (see Figure 5.1) and swing the chart

**WARNING:**

5.1 Setting Sterilization Temperature

![Diagram](image)

5.2 Changing Chart Recorder Paper

Use the set-point knob (see Figure 5.1) to set the sterilization temperature.

**WARNING:**

![Diagram](image)
HANDLES ARE TIGHTENED SECURELY BEFORE STARTING A CYCLE.

THE OPERATOR IS RESPONSIBLE TO ENSURE THAT THE DOOR IS IN THE OFF POSITION. LOAD STEAM CHAMBER (optional for this model) and close the door (see Figure 3.1).

2. Make sure the ON/OFF switch is on the cycle selector switch (see Figure 3.1)

3. Check to make sure that the ON/OFF key on the cycle selector switch (see Figure 3.1)

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6.4 Direct Steam Sterilizers

RUNNING THE MACHINE.

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WARNING: RISK OF NON-STERILE DEVICE

Steam gauge reads zero PSi before attempting to open the sterilizer door.

To release the steam pressure inside the chamber, turn the red ON/OFF button on the cycle selector switch to the OFF position. Press the ON/OFF button on the cycle selector switch to start the cycle.

To abort a cycle in progress, turn OFF the red ON/OFF button on the cycle selector.

5. Press the ON/OFF button on the cycle selector switch to start the cycle.

Machine: Otherwise, the control system will not allow a cycle to begin.

Door is open. Make sure both doors are securely latched before attempting to run the machine. Open the door until the circuit breakers are opened and the red ON/OFF switch is turned to OFF. If you have a double-door sterilizer, open both doors and close the circuit breaker switch (see Figure 2). Select the correct cycle by pressing the button on the controller (see Figure 2). Select the correct sterilization and dry (if applicable) times.

Temperature: Check to make sure the correct sterilization and dry (if applicable) times are on the MK II controller (see Figure 2). Select the correct cycle by pressing the button on the controller (see Figure 2). Check to make sure the correct sterilization and dry (if applicable) times are on the MK II controller (see Figure 2). Select the correct cycle by pressing the button on the controller (see Figure 2). Check to make sure the correct sterilization and dry (if applicable) times are on the MK II controller (see Figure 2). Select the correct cycle by pressing the button on the controller (see Figure 2). Check to make sure the correct sterilization and dry (if applicable) times are on the MK II controller (see Figure 2). Select the correct cycle by pressing the button on the controller (see Figure 2). Check to make sure the correct sterilization and dry (if applicable) times are on the MK II controller (see Figure 2). Select the correct cycle by pressing the button on the controller (see Figure 2). Check to make sure the correct sterilization and dry (if applicable) times are on the MK II controller (see Figure 2). Select the correct cycle by pressing the button on the controller (see Figure 2).
Figure 6.1: Front view of typical Steam Generator-equipped sterilizer.

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6.2 Generator-equipped Sterilizers.
A  pressure switch is used to control the pressure of the jacket steam. This switch is located on the lower control panel (Figure 4). It shows the jacket pressure gauge and the pressure switch. The pressure switch will automatically shut off the jacket when the pressure reaches a certain level.

After that, you should hear the contactor click on. Once the generator controller is turned on, the generator will start running.

For a few minutes, once the generator is started, you will hear the steam. Then the temperature will increase, and you should adjust the valve to control the steam flow.

If your machine is equipped with an integral steam generator, check with proper installation and maintenance personnel to make sure that:

- The 110 volt supply cord to the machine is plugged in.
- The high-voltage supply to the generator is ON.
- The generator water drain valve is closed.
- The water supply to the generator has been turned on.

To start your steamer:
25. See Figure 6.2 has been factory preset for approximately 20 PSI of pressure. This PSI for sterilization is 250 degrees F, but will need to be increased to 32 PSI for sterilization at 270 degrees F. You can increase the pressure setting by turning the 1/4" adjustment screw clockwise (out of sensor plunger), or decrease it by turning the adjustment screw counterclockwise. A pressure gage is supplied adjacent to this pressure switch to view the setting. Remove the cover and set the differential (white knob) to one notch after "E" (1.5 PSI). The above referenced parts are shown in the following two photographs.

1. Make sure that the sterilizer chamber as well as the chamber drain strainer (inside the drain hole near the sterilizer door) is free of any debris. THIS SHOULD BE DONE BEFORE EVERY CYCLE. A CLEAN DRAIN STRAINER IS ESSENTIAL FOR SMOOTH OPERATION OF THE MACHINE.

2. Check to make sure that the ON/OFF key on the cycle selector switch (see Figure 3.1) is in the OFF position. Load sterilizer chamber (optional for this test run) and close the door. MAKE SURE THE DOOR HANDLES ARE TIGHT. IT IS THE OPERATOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT THE DOOR HANDLES ARE SECURELY TIGHTENED BEFORE STARTING A CYCLE.

3. If your sterilizer is equipped with the Blow-down option (see section 6.3), check to make sure the Jacket Light (see Figure 2.1) is NOT on. If it is, press the Jacket Reset Button (see Figure 2.1) and wait 20 to 30 minutes for the jacket pressure to build up.

4. If your sterilizer is equipped with the ON-OFF Generator Switch (see Figure 6.1), make sure this switch is in the ON position. This switch should remain in the ON position at all times. It can be switched off at the end of the day.
5. Check to make sure the chart recorder (see Figures 2.1, and 5.1) is set to the correct sterilization temperature. Check to make sure the correct sterilization and dry (if applicable) times are on the MK II controller (see Figures 2.1, and 4.1). Select the correct cycle by pressing the appropriate button on the cycle selector switch (see Figure 3.1). If you have a double-door unit, there are warning lights on both ends of the unit that are ON when either door is open. Make sure both doors are securely tightened before attempting to run the machine. Otherwise, the control system will not allow a cycle to begin.

6. Press the ON/OFF button on the cycle selector switch to start the cycle.
The sterilizer will start the cycle. The chart recorder will record the chamber temperature vs. time throughout the cycle. At the end of the cycle, a buzzer will sound. Make sure the chamber pressure gauge reads zero PSI, and then turn off the ON/OFF switch. After that, opening the door will terminate the cycle and reset the machine for next operation.

To abort a cycle in progress, turn OFF the red ON/OFF button on the cycle selector switch (see Figure 3.1). Reach underneath the chamber and open the green-handled Manual Exhaust valve, located below the sterilizer chamber next to the drain piping, to release the steam pressure inside the chamber. Wait till the chamber steam gauge reads zero PSI before attempting to open the sterilizer door.

**WARNING: RISK OF NON-STERILE DEVICE**

Please note that if a cycle is aborted prior to successful termination, it must be considered incomplete and the load must be reprocessed (unwrapped goods or liquids) or repacked and reprocessed (wrapped goods).
Jacket for Your next cycle.

To indicate that the red Reset Jacket button needs to be pressed in order to pressurize the pressure to build back up in the jacket. The green Jacket light (see figure 2.1) will be on.

Reset button (see figure 2.1) after you run a flush cycle in order to allow the steam to pass through. Because of this, you need to reset the Jacket pressurize by pressing the Jacket machine. The above process occurs automatically every time you run a flush cycle with your jacket.

energized.

The steam supply is shut off to the sterilizer's jacket and the jacket exhaust relay is set to the flush cycle. The sterilizer allows the jacket and chamber to cool at the same time.

If your sterilizer is equipped with an auto jacket blow-down, then during the exhaust phase of the sterilizer is shut off to the sterilizer's jacket and the jacket exhaust relay is set to the flush cycle. The sterilizer allows the jacket and chamber to cool at the same time.

6.3 Sterilizers with Automatic Jacket Blow-Down

6.2.1 Sterilizers equipped with Automatic Generator Blow-down
When the "power on" light is ON, either end of the sterilizer is ON. A cycle has been initiated.

When trying to start the sterilizer:

If a cycle has not been selected on the cycle selector switch, then you will hear the buzzer.

By pressing the "Start" switch, you can start the sterilizer (see figure 2.1, 2.3.1).

If a double door sterilizer is equipped with a Remote Start button, there is a switch.

6.4.1 Double Door Sterilizers with Remote Start

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**Please Note:**

Sterilizer will not operate with either door open.

In order for the sterilization cycle to begin, both doors must be closed and locked.

This light will flash until a sterilization cycle is initiated.

If the door at the "dirty" (or "cooled") end of the sterilizer is closed, this grounding is opened, thus completing the chamber. The alarm warning system will flash at the unloading/cleaning end of the sterilizer.

Your attempt to open the door, the alarm warning system will flash, and the unloading/cleaning door shall remain closed. This means the door at the opposite end is open - **DO NOT OPEN DOOR**.

If your double-door sterilizer is equipped with alarm warning system, a loud signal and a

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Observe the chamber pressure on the chamber pressure gauge.

chamber enough time to release the vacuum and return to atmospheric pressure. You can switch to release the vacuum. Before attempting to open door, wait a few minutes to give

down to zero. This point press the "ON-OFF" button of cycle buzzer will sound. After the Dry Timer counts
will be held for the amount of time set on the Dry Timer. After the Dry Timer counts

Following the Dry cycle, the chamber will draw down to 28" vacuum. This vacuum

doar is opened.
draw down to 28" vacuum and hold until either the "ON-OFF" switch is pressed or the

Following cycle completion of a Fast cycle, the buzzer will sound and the chamber will

both the Fast and Dry cycles a vacuum will be drawn.

If your sterilizer is equipped with a Post-Vac system, then during the exhaust phase of

6.5 Sterilizers with Post-Vac System
• Instruments, such as forceps, must be sterilized in the open position.
• Condensed
• When using non-woven wrap, ensure there are no loops that might hold
  condensation to drain or without wetting any other items in the load.
• Large or heavy metal items should be placed on the lower shelf to enable the
  material to be used to absorb condensation.
• Ensure that metal items are arranged so that any condensation will drain out. Wickings
  some direction and arranged so that any condensation will drain out. Wickings
  heads capable of holding water, such as basins and trays, should be oriented in the
  water.

All packages must be positioned in the chamber to allow free circulation and
prevention of steam, enhance air sterilization, and prevent contamination.

| WARNING: RISK OF INFECTION |

For sterilization or when in the decontamination area, users must wear protective clothing and equipment when processing goods
be high in the decontamination area of the sterile processing department.
Please note that airborne microorganisms and particulate contamination is likely to

Clean, package and load items according to established procedures for your facility.

7. Load Preparation