

Universal Anaesthesia Machine PRE-OPERATIVE CHECKLIST

I. Perform at the START of every OPERATING session

INSPECT & TEST

- 1. Check stability: casters OK, brakes function
- 2. Connect and check available gas sources: correct pressure, no leaks, tug test on pipelines
- 3. Check bellows OK: move up and down and observe balloon moves freely
- 4. Check breathing system: use bellows to inflate 2-litre bag or dummy lung. Check action of balloon while bag inflates/deflates. (If no dummy lung is available, proceed to 5)
- 5. Check resistance by pushing bellows with patient Y piece blocked (maximum pressure should be 55 cms water)
- 6. Check the water trap and empty if necessary
- 7. Check the gas scavenging is configured correctly, if available

VAPORISER

- 1. Check the volatile agent level in the vaporiser and fill as necessary
- 2. Check operation of the vaporiser selector wheel (press silver button to unlock)

POWER

- 1. Switch on green mains isolator switch on the UAM back (there will be a delay while the system inspects the quality of the electrical power)
- 2. Press and hold 'On/Off' button next to the oxygen monitor screen until it lights up

OXYGEN MONITOR

- 1. Using 100% cylinder/pipeline oxygen, set oxygen flowmeter to 6 L/minute and wait for maximum reading on monitor
- 2. Press 'CAL', then 'O2', then 'GO'. When the calibration is finished, press 'EXIT' two times.
- 3. Turn off the oxygen. Draw room air through the system with the bellows until the reading reaches its lowest setting
- 4. Press 'CAL', then 'AIR', then 'GO'. When the calibration is finished, press 'EXIT' two times.

OXYGEN SUPPLY

- 1. Turn on the oxygen concentrator by using the switch on the front of the machine
- 2. Set oxygen flow to 8 L/minute, wait 1-3 minutes. Oxygen % should be greater than 90%

NITROUS OXIDE

- 1. Set oxygen flow to 6 litres per minute
- 2. Set Nitrous Oxide flow to 4 litres per minute
- 3. Gradually turn down the oxygen flow to reduce FiO₂ to 25% and lower-- nitrous oxide flow should cut off when oxygen concentration is <25%



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II. Perform BEFORE each case

- 1. Check the level of volatile agent in the vaporiser
- 2. Ensure you have the correct breathing circuit

III. Perform at the END of each case

- 1. Turn off the vaporiser
- 2. Replace the bacterial filter
- 3. Clean any surfaces that may have been contaminated or soiled

IV. Perform at the END of every OPERATING session

- 1. Turn off the vaporiser
- 2. Operate bellows six times to purge volatile agent from the breathing circuit
- 3. Turn off flowmeters and cylinders. Disconnect or turn off pipeline supplies.
- 4. Turn off the oxygen concentrator
- 5. Turn off the oxygen monitor: press and hold On/Off button next to the screen
- 6. Turn off the patient vital signs monitor if one is plugged into the UAM
- 7. Turn off the main power switch on the back of the machine (*Exception*: if the battery in the oxygen monitor or the patient vital signs monitor is depleted, leave the main power switch on to trickle charge these batteries)
- 8. Wipe down the machine with a cloth dampened with a mild detergent (the stainless steel tray may be removed for sterilization if necessary)

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