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## WHAT IS HTM2030 AND WHY IS IT IMPORTANT



It will come as little surprise that no matter what industry you're in there are accreditations, certifications and qualifications required to operate, deliver a service or sell a product.

Especially if that product or service can have a direct impact on people.

The infection control industry is no different; our solutions being held to a high standard in order to make sure that everyone using those machines is protected against the risk of infection.

### ***HTM 2030***

We are required to meet the guidance laid out within HTM 2030 – a document outlining correct methods and procedures for all types of washer disinfectors in the Acute Healthcare Sector.

It is broken down into sections covering operational management, design considerations and validation & verification.

By extension these sections include:

- Safe design
- Installation
- Operation
- Maintenance

Essentially, HTM 2030's function is to lay out exactly what's expected of us as manufacturers and you as operators in order to minimise the risk of infection during the disposal/disinfection process.

The various sections add up to a comprehensive guide that covers the required standards for the entire life cycle of the bedpan washer disinfectant or pulp macerator from conception right through to decommissioning.

### ***Why is it Important?***

Quite simply, we put the guidance laid out in HTM 2030 at the heart of everything we do.

It underpins our machine design, usability, performance and life expectancy. We use it as a touchstone when researching new methods and new technologies in order to bring about the next generation of infection control solutions.

We even weave its guidance and best practices in to our preventative planned maintenance so we are certain that when we service your machines we are doing so as diligently and as thoroughly as possible.

### ***What this means for you***

A solid understanding of HTM 2030 is really important from an operations standpoint for two really good reasons:

1. It makes you are aware of our obligations to you in terms of build quality, performance, installation and operation.

We diligently follow strict quality control processes in order to ensure that every machine that leaves us is fully functioning. If, for whatever reason, that isn't the case, it's up to us to correct that.



2. Your obligations. Understanding guidelines with regards to infection control is really important as it impacts on everything from how your sluice/dirty utility/pan room is designed to what you are supposed to do in the event of a breakdown.

For example, failure to follow best practice when reporting or attempting to fix a malfunction that results in an outbreak could have serious consequences.

Similarly, it is up to you to make sure all clinicians are correctly trained to use the machines. This is just one reason why we offer full training with all of our machines.

HTM 2030 outlines the legal and policy requirements as well as best practices for use and service maintenance for all parties involved in the manufacture and use of infection control machines.

We have built every process and function to comply or exceed those guidelines and we have committed ourselves to taking things even further.

To learn more about how we can support you through capital equipment, planned preventative maintenance or training, contact us today and speak to one of our experts.

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