

Spotlight on...Compatibility



Definition

Compatibility is the assurance that the device or surface and the **cleaning and disinfectant solutions** are **suitable** for use together.



What causes incompatibility

- + Increased usage of disinfectants
- + Equipment manufacturers are using cheaper, less durable plastics
- + Cross-cleaning interactions between different wipe types
- + Reactions between different disinfection methods
- + Excess disinfectant liquid left on the surface



The impact

Medical device integrity:

- + Cracking
- + Degradation
- + Discolouration



The **cost** to replace equipment due to the damage caused



Recommendations

- + Discuss your cleaning and disinfectant needs to ensure the most suitable solution is selected prior to use
- + Check the manufacturers' IFU for recommended products
- + Read the product's Instructions for Use before using



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