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**REF**
PS9535SW, PS955SR1

⚠️ The following should be thoroughly read before use.

**IMPORTANT NOTES**
This document is designed to provide instructions on how this product is used. It is not a reference to surgical techniques.
This product should only be used by a qualified person or clinician.

**INDICATIONS**
The Skin Stapler has an application in abdominal, gynaecological, orthopaedic, and thoracic surgery for skin closure.

**PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS**
The Skin Stapler places a single staple when the handle of the device is squeezed. The staples penetrate the skin initially and are then formed rectangularly. The Skin Staple Remover is used to individually remove the staples placed by the Skin Stapler.

Schematic view & nomenclature:
(A) Handle
(B) Number of remaining staples
(C) Centre mark

Specification of staple: 35W (includes 35 wide staples) Skin Stapler includes 0.57mm diameter stainless steel staples. For details of the staple specification, refer to the drawing:
(1) Original staple specification
(2) Formed staple specification
(3) Range of forming

**HOW SUPPLIED**
Supplied sterile, ready for single use.

**SHELF LIFE**
PS9535SW - 5 years from date of sterilisation · use by date as denoted on labelling in format YYYY-MM-DD.
PS955SR1 - 5 years from date of sterilisation · use by date as denoted on labelling in format YYYY-MM-DD.

**CONTRAINDICATIONS**
A Skin Staple may cause an allergic reaction to a patient that has a steel allergy.

**PRECAUTIONS / WARNINGS**
DO NOT use if package is received opened or damaged.
The Skin Stapler can be placed directly over bone or viscera. However, the operator must leave a distance from the surface of skin and bone or viscera more than 6.5mm.

**DIRECTIONS FOR USE**
(1) For skin closure, using toothed forceps or tissue approximating device, hold the skin edge together evenly.
(2) Place the centre mark at the middle of the two skin edges.
(3) Squeeze the handle completely. Incomplete squeezing of the handle may cause incomplete forming of staple or improper stapling.

Repeat above steps, while maintaining the same distance between each placed staple until the incision is closed. Any malformed staples should be replaced with a new staple.

(1) To remove the staples, use the Skin Staple Remover and place the lower jaw of the remover between the span of the staple and skin. (Figure A)
(2) Fully close the Skin Staple Remover handle so as to open the staple (Figure B), then lift the Staple Remover so as to remove the opened staple.
(A) Lower jaw
(B) Removed staple

**SINGLE USE PRECAUTIONS**
his product/s are designed and sold for single use only. Re-processing and, or, re-sterilisation is not permitted.
The effects of any unauthorised re-processing or re-sterilisation can result in the following complications:
1. Cross contamination due to ineffective re-processing/re-sterilisation.
2. Mechanical fatigue, and associated failure, due to the effects of the re-processing / re-sterilisation method.

**DISPOSAL**
Discard after single use, DO NOT re-sterilise.
This product/s is to be disposed of as controlled medical waste according to national guidelines.

**STORAGE**
Store under normal temperature, preventing humidity and direct ray of light.