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air-Q^{fi} REMOVAL STYLET

Thank You for purchasing the air-Q Removal Stylet by Cookgas,® LLC. The air-Q Removal Stylet is designed for the quick and easy removal of supraglottic airways following oral-tracheal intubation through such devices. The air-Q Removal Stylet is specifically designed to be used in conjunction with the air-Q Intubating Laryngeal Airway, also by Cookgas, LLC. Due to its patented design, the air-Q Removal Stylet stabilizes the previously-inserted oral endotracheal tube (OETT), and allows controlled removal of the air-Q without dislodging the OETT from the trachea.

**Welcome to the Next Generation
of Airway Management!**

REUSABLE / SINGLE USE

This product is to be used
by trained personnel only.

air-Q Removal Stylet Procedure for air-Q Removal

Removing the air-Q following OETT intubation is easily accomplished with the aid of the air-Q Removal Stylet by Cookgas, LLC. The air-Q Removal Stylet consists of an adapter connected to a rod (fig. 1). The adapter is tapered from bottom to top, and has horizontal ridges and vertical grooves (fig. 2, 3, 4). The taper allows the stylet to accommodate multiple OETT sizes, Size #1 (6.0 - 8.5mm); Size #0 (4.5 - 6.0mm); Size #00 (2.5 - 4.5mm). The ridges engage the OETT in a firm, secure grip, giving the user control of the OETT during the air-Q removal process (fig. 4). The grooves allow spontaneously breathing patients unimpeded air passage within the OETT during removal of the air-Q.

By immobilizing and exerting an inward stabilizing force on the OETT, the air-Q Removal Stylet allows for the swift removal of the air-Q without dislodging the previously-placed OETT from the patient.

1. Remove the OETT connector from the OETT.
2. Squeeze the proximal portion of the OETT between the index finger and the thumb, leaving enough room for the adapter portion of the stylet to enter the proximal opening of the OETT. Alternatively, squeeze the proximal end of the air-Q airway tube, trapping the OETT inside.
3. Insert the tapered end of the Removal Stylet into the proximal OETT. (The adapter portion of the air-Q Removal Stylet is slightly oval in shape.) Place the long axis in the 12 o'clock - 6 o'clock position until the adapter fits snugly within the OETT (fig. 2, 4).
4. For larger air-Q sizes, (2.0 - 4.5), with firm inward pressure, rotate the stylet adapter in a clockwise direction (into the 3 o'clock - 9 o'clock position) until the adapter firmly engages the OETT. For smaller air-Q sizes (0.5-1.5) simply push the stylet firmly into the OETT. Please practice this a few times prior to attempting on a patient.

5. Completely deflate the air-Q cuff and pilot balloon.
6. Deflate and lubricate the pilot balloon on the OETT prior to withdrawing the air-Q. Reinflate the OETT following air-Q removal.
7. While exerting an inward stabilizing force on the stylet, slowly withdraw the air-Q outward over the stylet rod. (fig. 5)
8. For larger air-Q sizes (2.0-4.5) pass the stylet through and through. For smaller air-Q sizes (0.5-1.5) remove the stylet from the proximal end of the air-Q while stabilizing the OETT at the mouth. Following removal, place the reusable air-Q into a suitable container for sterilization and reuse. Discard single-use air-Q's following use.
9. Reposition the OETT to the proper depth within the patient, if needed, and then tape into place.
10. Replace the OETT connector within the OETT. Inflate the OETT, if needed, and attach to an appropriate breathing device. Check for adequate ventilation.
11. **Caution:** If ventilation or oxygenation is inadequate following intubation/air-Q removal, re-establish ventilation by another means.
12. Clean the re-usable stylets with mild soap and water following use and sterilize using Steris System 1, or Sterrad.
13. Discard all single use air-Q Stylets following use.

DO NOT AUTOCLAVE.

Size Recommendations:

STYLET	OETT
Size #1	6.0 - 8.5mm
Size #0	4.5 - 6.0mm
Size #00	2.5 - 4.5mm



Expiration Date



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DIRECTIONS
FOR USE



Latex Free



Max. use 10
(Reusable Only)



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Keep Dry



Keep Away
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Single Use
(Disposable
Version Only)

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Fig. 1



Fig. 4

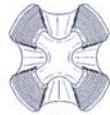


Fig. 2

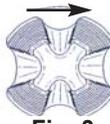


Fig. 3



Fig. 5

Cautions

1. The air-Q Removal Stylets are delivered non-sterile.
2. Examine the air-Q Removal Stylet prior to use. Discard all damaged stylets.
3. Practice using the air-Q Removal Stylet prior to first use.
4. Check that the Removal Stylet is firmly seated within the OETT prior to beginning the air-Q removal process.
5. Exert a firm inward stabilizing force on the Stylet during air-Q removal.
6. Be sure to not dislodge the OETT from the trachea during removal of the Stylet from the OETT.
7. Re-inflate the OETT cuff and secure the OETT. Replace the OETT connector and check for adequate ventilation following air-Q removal.
8. If ventilation is inadequate, remove the OETT and re-establish an adequate airway by an alternate means.
9. Thoroughly clean the re-usable air-Q Removal Stylet with mild soap and water following use and sterilize using Steris System 1, or Sterrad.
10. Use the re-usable air-Q Stylet a maximum of ten (10) times.
11. Discard all single-use air-Q Stylets following use. Re-use of single-use devices may lead to device malfunction. **DO NOT RE-USE.**

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Warranties

Cookgas, LLC agrees to warrant the air-Q Removal Stylet for a period of thirty (30) calendar days following the invoice date. Warranty covers manufacturing defects only. Defects caused by abuse or misuse of the device will not be covered. Valid only following purchase from authorized distributors. The original package label must accompany the defective air-Q Removal Stylet for valid warranty returns.

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IMPORTANT

The air-Q Removal Stylets are constructed with latex-free Class VI materials.

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