



# Water steam sterilizer Class B





# OPERATOR MANUAL

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# **1** General information

## 1-1 Scope of document

This operator manual has been published by NSK to provide the operator with the necessary information to ensure:

- correct installation Conceder removing, technical only
- appropriate and safe use
- proper maintenance

The manual is an integral part of the N1clave water steam sterilizer, hereafter referred to in this manual as the "sterilizer" or, more simply, the "device", and must always remain with it, even when sold. It should always be kept close to the device, in an easily accessible place and protected from environmental agents that could affect its integrity and durability. It should remain at hand for immediate consultation at any time by operators and technicians.

Carefully read and understand the entire manual before using (Not to be installed by the clinician) the device, particularly the instructions in the chapter on safety Information, which are intended to prevent potential hazards that could cause injury to the operator or damage the device.

The company that uses the machine is responsible for ensuring that all operators have fully understood the instructions for use.

NSK assumes no responsibility whatsoever for failure to follow the safety and prevention rules described in the various sections of this manual or for damage caused by improper installation and use of the device.

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#### 1-2 Criteria for use of the manual and finding information

The information and instructions are collected and organized into chapters and paragraphs, and can be easily found by searching the index.

Information preceded by a warning sign must be read carefully.

Essential information for the health and safety of operators/maintainers is contained in a box and highlighted with warning signs on a grey background, as shown below.

#### Safety instructions are classified as follows, in accordance with the seriousness of the risk:

Classification	Level of risk
NOTE	Information on general product specifications highlighted to prevent malfunctions or loss of product performance.
	Indicates cases where failure to follow the safety instructions may lead to minor or considerable injury to people or damage to the device.
	Indicates cases where failure to follow the safety instructions may lead to serious injury to people or damage to the device.

## 1-3 Professional user profiles

European regulations on safety and the sterilization process describe the following professional roles:

OPERATORperson who uses the device daily for the intended purposeMAINTAINERperson in charge of daily routine maintenance of the deviceNote: the operator and maintainer may also be the same person.

RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY: the USER (often the owner) or group of persons responsible for the use and maintenance of the device, who ensures that:

- the operator and maintainer are adequately trained to use the device in complete safety;
- regular training is provided for all personnel regarding the operation and maintenance of the device, including emergency procedures in the event of emission of toxic, flammable, explosive or pathogenic material into the environment;
- registration documents for attendance of the training are preserved and its full understanding is verified;
- an electronic or printed record is written and kept of the sterilization procedures carried out from the moment the device is installed.

#### 1-4 Conformity with European Directives

The N1clave sterilizer built by NSK meets the electromagnetic compatibility requirements of Directive 93/42/EEC for medical devices, and of standard EN 13060 and Directive 2014/68/EC for pressure equipment (PED). This NSK product has been designed and manufactured with high quality materials and components that can be recycled and reused.

X	Symbol for separate waste collection of electrical and electronic devices, in conformity with Directive 2012/19/EU (WEEE/RAEE). The equipment belongs to group 8 (medical devices). Use in European Union nations, Norway and Switzerland. This symbol indicates that electrical and electronic devices, at the end of their lifespan, must be disposed of separately from household waste; dispose of this device by delivering it to your local collection/recycling centre. Penalties are imposed for violation of waste disposal regulations.
0051	The CE 0051 mark affixed to the rear panel indicates that the device meets the essential requirements of Directive 93/42/EEC. Notified Body: IMQ S.p.A., Via Quintiliano, 443, 20138 Milan (Italy). Identification Number: 0051.
<b>CE</b> 0497	The CE 0497 marking on the boiler indicates that the device meets the essential requirements of Directive 2014/687EU. Notified Body: CSI, viale Lombardia 20/B, 20021 Bollate (Italy). Identification Number: 0497.

## **1-5** List of reference standards used for the design of the pressure vessel

The main standards referred to are listed below:

- EN 13445-3:2012 Unfired pressure vessels Part 1: General;
- EN 13445-2:2018 Unfired pressure vessels Part 2: Materials;
- EN 13445-3:2018 Unfired pressure vessels Part 3: Design;
- EN 13445-4:2016 Unfired pressure vessels Part 4: Fabrication;
- EN 13445-5:2015 Unfired pressure vessels Part 5: Inspection and testing;
- Ministerial Decree no. 329 of 1 Dec 2004 "Regulation on the rules for the commissioning and use of pressure equipment and assemblies pursuant to art.9 of Legislative Decree no. 93 of 25 Feb 2000.
- Legislative Decree 81/2008 of 09/04/2008 Implementation of Directives 89/391/EEC, 89/654/CE, 89/655/EEC, 89/656/EEC, 90/269/EEC, 90/270/EEC, 90/394/EEC, 90/679/EEC, 93/88/EEC, 97/42/EEC and 1999/38/EC on the improvement of the safety and health of workers in the workplace. Implementation of Directive 92/57/EEC on the implementation of minimum safety and health requirements at temporary or mobile construction sites.
- Legislative Decree 359/99 Implementation of Directive 95/63/EC amending Directive 89/655/EEC concerning the minimum safety and health requirements for the use of work equipment by workers at work.
- Directive 2014/68/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of pressure equipment.
- Legislative Decree 26/16 Implementation of Directive 2014/68/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of pressure equipment (recasting).

#### 1-6 Warranty

NSK products are guaranteed against manufacturing errors and material defects for 2 years. NSK reserves the right to examine and determine the cause of any problem. The warranty shall be void if the product has not been used correctly or for the intended use, or if it has been tampered with by unqualified personnel or fitted with non-original NSK parts. Replacement parts are available for ten years after the model is taken out of production.

Failure to comply with the guidelines listed below will invalidate the warranty and/or make the device dangerous to operate.

- In the event of a fault and/or malfunction, follow the guidelines in paragraph 6.2 "Warning Messages" and paragraph 6.3 "Alarm List". If the problem persists, do not attempt to make the device work but contact the NSK technical support.
- Do not operate the device until the necessary repairs have been made to restore its proper operation.
- Do not attempt to disassemble the device, replace malfunctioning or damaged components, and/or have adjustments or repairs made by unspecialised personnel or technicians not authorized by NSK.
- Malfunctioning or damaged components must always be replaced with original NSK parts.

# 2 Safety information

## 2-1 General safety information

To maintain a maximum level of device safety for patients and specialized professional operators, it is essential that: • operators and maintainers have read and understood the instructions for use of the device;

- the periodic maintenance operations described in Chapter 7 on "Maintenance" are carried out;
- the following safety guidelines are followed:

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- Ensure that the device is connected to a power socket with an earth connection.
- Keep the plug in the socket until the sterilization is finished and do not use the socket for other devices at the same time.
- Do not use power cables other than original NSK cables, as they could cause electrical discharges, fires or damage to the device.
- Do not turn the power on or off unless strictly necessary, as this may trip the fuse.
- Do not touch the power cord with wet hands as this may cause electric shock.
- Install the product with sufficient space to allow immediate removal of the electrical plug.
- Turn off the power switch and disconnect the power cord before performing any maintenance.
- Do not connect non-genuine NSK accessories or equipment to the device.
- Keep explosive substances and flammable materials far from the device.
- If the device overheats or emits a bad smell, turn off the power switch immediately, remove the plug from the electrical socket and contact technical support.
- Do not allow water or disinfectant liquid to enter the inside of the device as it may cause a short circuit and electrical shock.
- Avoid inadvertently touching the door or the area around the chamber while the device is in operation or immediately after stopping the product, as these reach high temperatures and can cause burns.
- Do not obstruct or cover the steam outlet on the product with other objects. In addition, avoid inadvertently placing your face or hands near the steam outlet, as this can cause burns.
- Use only original NSK components and parts.

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- The device must only be installed by qualified persons.
- · Install the machine on a flat surface.
- Do not sterilize liquids or objects other than the medical instruments listed in the instructions for use.
- Avoid any impact on the device. Do not drop the device.
- Wash and dry objects before sterilization. Chemical detergent residues in the chamber can cause corrosion or leave bad odours on sterilized objects.
- Insert the objects to be sterilized using the racks. Directly inserting objects into the chamber may cause sterilization problems, discolouration or even damage to the objects.
- Ensure that any water has been drained before moving the device.
- Use a container or case for sterilizing fine-pointed objects, as these may protrude from the bottom of the rack.
- Sterilize the instruments in accordance with the parameters recommended by the manufacturer or retailer.
- If any irregularities are noticed during use, stop the sterilization cycle and contact technical support.
- Conduct periodic diagnostic checks and routine maintenance operations.
- If the device has not been used for a long time, check that it is working properly before use.
- Portable and mobile RF communication devices can interfere with the device.
- The device must not be used near or above another device. If this is not possible, ensure that all devices work properly.
- The device may malfunction if used near electromagnetic interference. Do not install the device near other equipment that emits magnetic waves. Turn off the power if an ultrasonic oscillation or electrosurgery device is located near the site of use.

# 2-2 Safety and protection features on the device

The sterilizer features several devices, listed below, that ensure the total safety of the operators.

#### 2-2-1 Controlled door lock with double safety device

Automatic door closure system with double closure latch, independent pins and manual emergency unlocking.

The system has a motor for automatic opening, closing and locking of the door, through the activation of forward and reverse stress sensors, and safe door release, based on a 0.4 bar safety pressure switch value.

To unlock the door at the end of the cycle or in the case of an alarm, simply follow the instructions on the touch display and press the Door button.

In the event of a power outage (black-out), you can open the door to remove the load manually by turning the provided hex key in an anticlockwise direction and unscrewing the door locking unit screw to open the door. Add statment regarding user verifing there is no residual pressure in chamber before opening.

#### 2-2-2 Overpressure protection - safety valve

#### Safety valve

CAUTION

This is a valve located in the technical compartment of the device, between the drain tank and the clean water tank, which intervenes when the pressure inside the pressure vessel exceeds a value of 2.55 bar.

Check the efficiency of the valve with the appliance switched off and cooled down, by removing the yellow cap, pulling it gently until you notice a "click" and then ensuring that it moves freely.

The safety valve should not be adjusted and no maintenance should be performed on it until the expiry of the 4-year operating period specified by the manufacturer, when it should be replaced.

There is a special cycle for testing the valve that can only be implemented by qualified and authorized personnel (authorized NSK service team), in which the safety valve is opened pneumatically and the steam is channelled into the drain tank compartment in complete safety.

See the technical service manual for the procedure and approach.







#### 2-2-3 Electrical black out protection

In the event of a power supply failure during the sterilization cycle, the pressure in the chamber is completely discharged to ambient level. When the supply voltage returns, the message "Please wait for the device to recover from unexpected shutdown" will appear on the touch display.



Then follow the directions provided on the touch display to confirm the procedure and allow the door to open. The indication "Sterilization Cycle Aborted" will appear at the end.



#### 2-2-4 Overheating protection

The temperature inside the pressure vessel during sterilization is programmed not to exceed the limit of 137 °C; in the event of a failure, an additional protection is triggered to prevent the temperature from exceeding 150 °C, by means of safety thermostat switches that cut off the electrical power to deactivate the heating.



#### 2-3 Safety signs on the device

The following warning and hazard signs are located on the sterilizer in the positions indicated.



#### 2-4 Residual risks

The sterilization process works by means of pressurized steam at high temperature. When removing a load from the sterilization chamber, always use suitable tools and personal protective equipment for handling the hot racks and instruments.

When opening the sterilizer door, particularly in the case of a cycle failure, a small quantity of steam or hot condensate may be released; open the door with caution.





#### 2-5 Bacterial risks

- If the sterilization cycle is not completed, the load, the trays and their restraint system, as well as the inside of the chamber, should always be considered as potentially contaminated until a subsequent sterilization cycle has been successfully completed.
- The water in the recovery tank should be considered as contaminated, therefore necessary precaution should be taken when emptying the tank. Check the integrity of the drain hose before using it.
- To avoid cross-contamination, wear a new pair of sterile gloves for each operation. In particular, take care to replace gloves with a sterile pair after loading and unloading instruments from the sterilization chamber and during maintenance operations.

# **3** Characteristics

## 3-1 Description of the sterilizer

The N1clave is a table-top water steam sterilizer designed for the decontamination of products and equipment for dental and medical use, according to the requirements of standard EN 13060.

It consists of an AISI304 steel sterilization chamber accessed via a door on the front; it is protected by an external casing made from moulded shock-proof plastic material and is equipped with protective devices that allow it to be used in complete safety by the operator.

The sterilization cycles are started through a touch display on the front of the device, above the door.

A description of the units that make up the sterilizer and the components provided with it is given in the following paragraphs.

## 3-2 Intended use

N1clave is a family of small table-top steam generators designed to sterilize dental and medical products, in accordance with EN 13060 requirements. Its intended use is to carry out:

#### **Class B sterilization**

Sterilization of all wrapped or unwrapped solid hollow load products, Type A and porous products represented by the test loads;

#### **Class S sterilization**

Sterilization of products specified by the sterilizer manufacturer, including unwrapped solid products and at least one of the following:

- porous products (fabrics)
- small porous items
- Type A and B hollow load products
- single wrapped products
- multiple-layer wrapped products

<b>CAUTION</b> Sterilization of instruments unsuitable for this process may expose the operator cause damage to the sterilizer and compromise its safety devices. Always check the product manufacturer's label to ensure their suitability for sterilizer. The device is not suitable for sterilizing flammable liquids and materials.	to risk, ation.
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<b>NOTE</b> The installation space should be adequately ventilated to avoid excessive humidity level
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#### 3-3 Environmental conditions

The sterilizer is designed to operate in environments with:

- temperatures of between 10°C and 40°C.
- relative humidity of between 20% and 85%.
- air pressure of between 750 mBar and 1050 mBar
- an altitude of between 0 and 2,000 metres above sea level.

Storage conditions: temperature -10°C to 50°C, humidity without condensation 10-95%, atmospheric pressure 500-1060 mBar.

# 3-4 Units that make up the sterilizer

# 3-4-1 External components



Ref.	Component description	Ref.	Component description
1	Control panel	13	Front USB port
2	Door cover	14	Power switch
3	Door plate	15	Fuse holder
4	Door Gasket	16	Power outlet
5	Sterilization chamber	17	Rear USB ports
6	Top panel	18	Pump cooling fan compartment
7	Water filling port	19	Perpetual system connections
8	Dust filter	20	Ethernet port
9	Water-out filter	21	AUX port
10	Water recirculation tap	22	Left side panel
11	Water drain connection	23	Right side panel
12	Water drain tap	24	Rear panel



Ref.	Component description	Ref.	Component description
1	Trays	6	Water filling tray
2	Rack	7	Water-in filters
3	Clean water tank	8	Technical compartment cover
4	Used water tank	9	Used water tank cover
5	Technical compartment	10	Clean water tank cover



Ref.	Component description	Ref.	Component description
1	Control panel	12	Used water tank
2	Booster 1	13	Clean water tank
3	Booster 2	14	Conductivity meter
4	Steam generator	15	Water filling tray
5	Air filter	16	Pure filters
6	Pure filter	17	Optional cap/pure filter
7	Water recirculation tap	18	Booster thermostat 1
8	Water drain connection	19	Booster thermostat 2
9	Water drain tap	20	Steam generator thermostat
10	Mains power switch	21	Safety valve
11	Rear USB port	22	Bacteriological filter

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#### 3-6 Description of the Operator Touch Cockpit

The Operator Panel, located on the cockpit dashboard on the front of the sterilizer, is the component through which the operator receives information and gives all types of commands necessary for the correct operation of the device.

The control panel consists of a touch display and the N1clave 8<sup>+</sup>, 9<sup>+</sup> and 10<sup>+</sup> models also have LED indicators on the sides of the touch panel with BLUE, YELLOW and GREEN visual signals to show the user the operational status.

These coloured visual signals, referred to as the *Light Signature*, offer useful indications and warnings during operation, as seen in the following table.

TYPE OF LIGHT	MEANING	BLUE	YELLOW	RED	GREEN
FLASHING	CAUTION	BUTTON	NOTE	ALARM	
PULSED	STARTED	HEATING			DRYING CYCLE ENDING
CONTINUOUS	IN PROGRESS	CYCLE IN PROGRESS	MANUAL STOP DURING DRYING		CYCLE COMPLETED

#### 3-6-1 Touch display colours

The touch display can have two different colour schemes, depending on the model purchased:





# 3-7 Size and weight of the packaging

Model	Total package weight kg
N1clave 6	58
N1clave 7	63
N1clave 8⁺	63
N1clave 9⁺	68
N1clave 10⁺	73

NOTE Keep the original packaging intact	
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# 3-8 Sterilizer dimensions





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# 3-9 Technical specifications

Specifications		N1clave 6	N1clave 7	N1clave 8⁺	8 <sup>+</sup> N1clave 9 <sup>+</sup> N1clave 10		
Chamber	Diameter			Ø = 285 mm			
dimensions	Depth	350 mm	450 mm	350 mm	450 mm	450 mm	
Chamber volume		22	28 I	22	28	28	
Maximum Load	Solid	6 kg	7 kg	8 kg	9 kg	10 kg	
	Porous	2 kg	2.5 kg	3 kg	N1clave 9*       N         450 mm       28 l         9 kg       3.5 kg         /ith chamber pre-       ig on the cycle         ig on the cycle       ig on the cycle         2400W       ig         2400W       ig         032       ig on °C         ile       ig         36 l/ min       0.96 bar         ig on bar       ig	4.0 kg	
Heating time		20 minute	es from ambien	t T, 10 minutes	with chamber p	re-heated	
Sterilization time			From 3 to 90 m	ninutes dependi	ng on the cycle		
Drying time			From 3 to 14 m	ninutes dependi	ng on the cycle		
External dimensio	ns		480 x 60	0 x 485 mm (W	x D x H)	1	
Net weight		50 kg	55 kg	55 kg	60 kg	65 kg	
Mains voltage				230 VAC			
Frequency				50/60 Hz			
Maximum power of	consumption	2100W	2100W	2400W	2400W	2400W	
Average consump	otion			600 W			
Standby consump	otion			20 W			
Fuses			2 x FF 15	5A (type 6.3 x 32	2 H 500V)		
Clock battery		Internal, not re	placeable by th	e operator: CR	2032		
Automatic used-water drain rate (optional)		Max 0.5 l/min, T max 70 °C					
Auto-off		After 30 mins of inactivity at the end of the cycle					
Double water tank	(						
Double water tank "Average" water consumption for standard cycles 134°C - 121°C - 3 vacuums							
Vacuum pump		13 l/ min 0.96 bar	13 l/ min 0.96 bar	38 l/ min 0.96 bar	36 l/ min 0.96 bar	38 l/ min 0.96 bar	
Bacteriological filt	er	0.3 µm at 99.9	7 %				
IP rating (in accor 60529)	dance with EN	IP31					
Noise level		53 db					
Differentiated hea	ting system	SDR					
Heat transmitted t at 23° C	o the environment						
Sound emission		52 dB/A at 1 m					
Operating cycle		Continuous					
Pollution level		2					
Transient overvolt	age	11					
Water conductivity	/ control	Conductivity m	neter				
Available volume	on trays	10					
Maximum chambe	er temperature	135°C (-0+2°C	;)				
Safety valve interv	vention pressure	2.55 bar					
Pressure vessel c	onforming to Directi	ve 2014/68/EU					

## 3-10 Sterilizer identification label

The image below shows the positions of the nameplate (displays the CE marking, important operating data already indicated in the Technical Data Table and the serial number), the serial number label and the PED plate.

The following table gives the meanings of the symbols displayed on the label:



Symbol	Description
	Symbol for manufacturer. The data given next to this symbol identifies the manufacturer. NOTE: this symbol must be accompanied by the name and address of the manufacturer.
NSK Dental Italy S.r.I.	Manufacturer's name.
Via dell'Agricoltura 21, 36016 Thiene (VI) IT	Manufacturer's address.
NSK	Logo of the company for which the device is manufactured. The product is manufactured by NSK Dental Italy S.r.I. for NSK.
CE	CE marking in accordance with Dir. 93/42/EEC on Medical Devices. The CE marking certifies that the product meets the standards applicable in EU member states (see declaration of conformity)
0051	Identification number of the notified body Notified body IMQ: IMQ S.p.A., Via Quintiliano, 443, 20138 Milan (Italy), Identification number: 0051.
Small steam sterilizer	Explanation of use and application of the device
MODEL	Name of the device
REF	Catalogue reference. Symbol on device: symbol located beside the model number (catalogue reference). NOTE The manufacturer's catalogue number must be next to the symbol.
SN	Serial number Symbol on the device: symbol located next to the product serial number. NOTE The serial number must be next to the symbol.
Voltage	Power supply voltage.
P1	Maximum Power absorbed by the line.
Frequency	Rated frequency.
Fuse	Type of fuse.
Chamber capacity	Chamber capacity.
Working pressure	Working pressure.
Safety valve pressure	Safety valve intervention pressure.
	Working temperature.
Vessel SN	
	Production date Symbol on the equipment: indicates the date of manufacture of the medical device. The data displayed beside to the manufacturer's symbol refers to the place of manufacture of the equipment. NOTE This symbol must be accompanied by the manufacturer's name and address.
MADE IN ITALY	Symbol on the device: This is a merchandise mark indicating that a product is designed, produced and packaged entirely in Italy.

Symbol	Description
	Caution, see the accompanying documents Symbol on the device: Caution, carefully read the information in the user manual before using the device. NOTE: This symbol is essentially a safety symbol and should be used to highlight the fact that there are specific warnings or precautions associated with the device that are not otherwise displayed on the label. The "Caution" symbol is also used at times to indicate "Caution, see instructions for use".
	RAEE marking in accordance with Directive 2002/96/EC. Symbol on the device and in the user manual. Symbol for separate waste disposal of electrical and electronic devices, in conformity with Directive 2002/96/EU (WEEE/RAEE). The equipment belongs to group 8 (medical devices). In force in the European Union nations, Norway and Switzerland.
*-DPTONE:049-TNE1500000*	UDI Barcode, in accordance with UDI Guidance: Unique Device Identification (UDI) of Medical Devices 2013 Symbol on the device: symbol located next to the main label. The barcode is followed by a sequence of characters that describe it, located under the barcode.

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# 4 Installation

## 4-1 Unpacking and transport

The sterilizer packaging consists of a wooden pallet on which the steriliser is placed, adequately protected by polystyrene buffers and a corrugated cardboard casing attached to the pallet with plastic strapping. Place the packaging on a flat, uncluttered surface in order to open it easily and remove the steriliser safely.

- Cut the strapping.
- Remove the cardboard casing.



Lift the steriliser and position it in the place of installation.



- Remove the upper polystyrene buffers.
- Remove the plastic casing from above.





The sterilizer must be lifted, transported and positioned in the place of installation by two people.





## 4-2 Positioning

CAUTION The device must be installed in an environment with lighting of between 215Ix and 1500Ix, measured at 1 m from the device.

Ensure that the voltage of the electrical power supply to the device complies with the specifications on the nameplate located on the back panel, that the power socket is rated to provide at least 16A and that it is has an earth connection.

If the installation makes the main power switch inaccessible, a specially dedicated accessible electrical disconnection switch should be provided.





The manufacturer accepts no liability for damage to materials or persons caused by electrical systems that are inadequate or not provided with earth connections.

The device must be installed on a flat surface. If the support surface is perfectly horizontal, the front feet are already adjusted with a slight inclination to facilitate the flow of water during draining. If the support surface is not perfectly level, adjust the front legs, raising or lowering them to obtain a slight inclination, as shown in the figure.



Do not place the device on a fragile surface that could be damaged or cause fire or smoke if hot objects fall.

For proper operation, leave a free space of at least 4 cm between the rear of the device and any wall.

Do not install the device near heat sources or in damp or poorly ventilated spaces. The room must provide air circulation with at least 10 air changes per hour; a recirculating air ventilation system (e.g., an electric fan) cannot be used as an alternative.



The safety valve is on the rear of the device. When triggered by excess pressure, it releases very hot steam into the environment. Position the device to avoid risk of burns to the operator.

In the case of built-in installation with a shelf above the device, a space of at least 2-3 cm should be left between the bottom of the shelf and the top of the device.

Place the device on a mobile shelf with a sliding rail extraction system to allow filling of the demineralized water tank, positioned on the top, and access to the main switch at the back of the device.



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For installation inside a cabinet, leave a ventilation space of at least 2-3 cm between the bottom of the shelf and the top of the device. Place the device on a mobile shelf with a sliding rail extraction system to allow filling of the demineralized water tank, positioned on the top, and access to the main switch at the back of the device.



#### 4-3 Initial start-up

- Check that the power supply outlet has the correct voltage and connect the power cord to the outlet and the device.
- The first time the machine is switched on, after the N1clave invitation screen, the device guides the user to select and confirm the language and installation date.



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Scroll by dragging from the top downwards or vice versa. The selection is highlighted in the centre of the screen and changes from grey to white. Once the desired language and installation date are confirmed, the device displays the **Home** screen, where you can find the main menus, **Home**, **Test**, **Set** and **Info**, at the top of the screen, with the available sterilization cycles in the quadrants below them.



- The minimum settings necessary to activate any options purchased with the product and set the parameters for the first start-up are found in the Set menu, which contains an index of the options; scroll by dragging from the top downwards or vice versa. The selection is highlighted in the centre of the screen and changes from grey to white.
- The General settings and Operators indexes provide the minimum settings necessary for the first start-up (discussed below).
- For the activation of optional accessories, connection to interactive networks or access to the other indexes in the menu, see the dedicated chapters in this manual.



#### 4-3-1 Setting the language

- Browse through the Set menu to the General settings options
- The first screen that appears will present the *Language* option highlighted in white on the left.
- To set the language, scroll through the index on the right by dragging from the top downward or vice versa, select the desired option and confirm by touching the OK button.

Home	Test	Set	Info	Home	General	settings	•
	General Oper Prir Conne Mainte Technic	settings rators nters ections enance cal menu		Water Lang Da	supply Juage ate	Itali Deu © Eng	ano Itsch glish DK

NOTE	Touch the back arrow button to return to the index on the right quadrant and continue with the selection and setting of the other parameters in the <b>General settings</b> menu.
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#### 4-3-2 Manual water filling

NOTE	N1clave does not require the use of demineralized water. The device can simply be topped up with tap water or connected to the mains water supply.
NOTE	If the device is connected directly to the water mains, filling is carried out automatically through maximum and minimum water level sensors.
	Do not introduce other fluids or additives as they can cause irreversible damage to the device and hazards for the operator.

- Browse through the **Set** menu to the **General settings** options.
- The first screen will once again display the *Language* option highlighted in white.
- Scroll through the index by dragging from the top downwards or vice versa and access the **Water supply** option.

Home	General	settings	•	Home	General	settings	•
Water Lang Da	supply J <b>uage</b> ate	Itali Deu ● Eng	ano t <b>sch</b> Jlish	Ster Water Lang	ril ID <b>supply</b> juage	YE N	ES O
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- In the quadrant on the right, select YES if you want to connect the device directly to the water supply; select NO to leave the filling of the device in manual mode (topping up through the funnel channel on the TOP of the sterilizer).
- Touch the OK button to confirm the desired option.
- Fill the tank with tap water up to the maximum level (the tank holds about 4 litres of water).

#### 4-3-3 Direct connection to the water mains and automatic refilling

N1clave offers the possibility of direct connection to the water mains (maximum permissible pressure 10 bar) through purchase of the ACQUASTOP accessory. It must be connected to the tap and to connections on the back of the device.

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CAUTION For the connection modes of the ACQUASTOP device, see the specific user manual.
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Select the YES option in the Water supply screen in the General settings menu.





■ Touch the OK button to confirm the desired option.

#### 4-3-4 Switch for the used water recirculation system and draining the tank compartments

	N1clave offers the possibility of Water Perpetual <sup>®</sup> System control, namely,
NOTE	to recycle the water used during the sterilization processes and/or open and close the
	clean and used water tank compartment drain.

- The Water Perpetual<sup>®</sup> System control taps, located on the front of the sterilizer, can be used to selec single use or perpetual water and also to drain the cleaan and used water tanks.
- The Water-out filter (in an easily accessible position and highlighted by a yellow cap) filters the drain water.
- The Water-in filters housed inside the tank unit compartment, also marked in yellow, are the resins that purify the refill water. They are easily accessed by lifting the cover and have a bayonet connection to facilitate their replacement.
- While refilling, the quality of the filtered water can be monitored through the Water Quality screen, accessible in the Info section of the touch screen.
- Side left or right on the display to access.





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#### 4-3-5 Steril ID device identification setting

Proceeding through the *General settings* menu, the Steril ID option offers the possibility of naming the sterilizer in relation to assets for physical indication of the device (e.g. department, body, clinic, studio).



- 4-3-6 Setting the units of measurement for pressure and temperature
- The next option in the menu allows you to set the unit of measurement of the Press. Unit device (for pressure) and the Temp. Unit device (for temperature).

Home	General	settings	•	Home	General	settings	•
Temp Press Stei	o. Unit s. Unit ril ID	p ● b kP	si ar 'aa	Tir Temp Press	me <b>5. Unit</b> 5. Unit		°C °F
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- The index in the right quadrant allows you to change the units of measurement for pressure and temperature, while in the left quadrant you can confirm the desired option: psi, bar or kPa for pressure and degrees Celsius or Fahrenheit for temperature.
- Touch the OK button to confirm the desired option.

#### 4-3-7 Setting date and time

Continuing through the General settings menu, the next items, Time and Date, allow you to set the current date and time.

Home	General	settings	•	Home	Home General settir			•
Da Tir Temp	ate ne 5. Unit	11 12 13	51 <b>52</b> 53	Lang Da Tii	guage ate me	29 <b>30</b> 31	06 <b>07</b> 08	2018 2019 2020
		С	Ж				OK	

- The respective quadrants on the right provide selection, via a drag index, of the hour and minutes and of the date in years, months and days. Scroll the indexes by dragging from the top downwards or vice versa, and select the desired time and date, which will be highlighted in the centre of the screen and change from grey to white.
- Touch the OK button to confirm the desired option.

#### 4-3-8 Setting and creating operators - PIN entry

■ In the **Set** menu shown below, the index presents the options screen for setting up operators.

Home	Test	Set	Info	Home	Oper	ators		•
	General	settings		Select the operator		7	8	9
	Oper Prir	nters				4	5	6
	Conne Mainte	ections enance			Administrator		2	3
	Technic	al menu		Р	IN	$\leftarrow$	0	OK

- Operators allows you to activate user profiles and enable them only for the implementation of specific authorized cycles and tests. This enabling facilitates the traceability protocol, associating the operations carried out with a specific user profile through the entry of a recognition PIN.
- The first PIN entered is always that of the Administrator. Once the administrator is defined, additional users (Operators) can then be enabled, assigning them PINs and defined cycles and tests.
- Enter the User Name and press the OK button to confirm.
- Enter the 4-digit PIN and confirm with the OK button.
- The user thus created can then be enabled for specific cycles and tests (this can be defined through the cycles or test screens, by entering the specific PIN of each user created); without this definition, users will be enabled to implement any cycle or test in the menu.
- To go back and select other users, touch the back arrow button.
- Enter a NAME and a PIN for all the users you want to create and enable.
- Enter the 4-digit PINs and confirm with the OK button.
- Once the PIN is entered for each profile thus created, the left quadrant of the screen provides options for deleting the operator (*Delete operator*), enabling or disabling entry of the PIN in the device (Enable/disable) and the creation of new users (*New operator*).
- To go back and select other items, touch the back arrow button.
- Touch the OK button to confirm the option.

Home	Operators					
Select the operator Administrator PIN		7	8		9	
		4	5		6	
		1	2		3	
		$\leftarrow$	0		OK	
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OK

- The Delete Operator item allows you to restrict the cycles available to the defined user or delete that option (a PIN will no longer be requested for the deleted profile).
- Similarly, you can reset the PIN, edit the users entered or enter new users.

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■ Touch the OK button to confirm the option.

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		_	B Prion	\	/acuum	
ц.			B 121	E	3&D Helix	
@		)	B Fast			

Enable/disable New operator

Modify operator

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PIN	7	8	3	9
	4	Ę	5	6
Re-enter the PIN	1	2	2	3
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Operators



#### 4-3-9 Setting optional printers

• The **Set** menu then provides the Printers option section, which allows you to set the printer options that can be implemented on N1clave device.



- In the quadrant to the right of the Printer type heading there is a list of printers that can be implemented: *Multiple*, Label, Thermal
  - **Printers** Home Report Barcode Multiple OK Home **Printers** a relative quantity of print outs for non-intensive use. Report Barcode Label OK
    - Printers Home Report Thermal OK

■ *Multiple* is for a high-performance printer that can issue a large quantity of print outs, suitable for intensive use.

It can produce thermal print reports or barcode labels, depending on the roll inserted.

Label is for to a high-performance printer that can issue 

It can produce thermal print reports or barcode labels, depending on the roll inserted.

Thermal is for a basic printer that can only produce

- Touch the OK button to confirm the option.

thermal print reports.

#### 4-3-10 Setting the device connections

In the Set menu index, N1clave offers the Connections option, which allows you to set the device connections to local LAN and Wireless networks.



- In the quadrant to the right of the Connection type heading, you can select the appropriate connection type, depending on the local LAN and Wireless networks available.
- LAN refers to a local wired network set up to receive Ethernet cables.



Once the cable is connected to the device, through the provided Ethernet socket on the back, select the

**Dynamic** or **Static** IP option from the connection settings (if your unsure on your network setup, please consult your IT provider).

• Touch the OK button to confirm the option.

If, instead, you chose static mode, you have to enter the device IP address (Static IP) followed by the Gateway for the local area network (router, modem, hub or switch) and the DNS ("Domain names") in order to configure the device connection in alignment with the network; tap OK each time to confirm the data entered.

Home	Home Conne		tions		Connections	•		
		7	8	9		7	8	9
Static IP 192.168.10.182/24		4	5	6	Gateway	4	5	6
		1	2	3	192.168.10.254	1	2	3
		$\leftarrow$	0	OK		$\leftarrow$	0	OK

Connections		•	
	7	8	9
DNS/0	4	5	6
·	1	2	3
	$\leftarrow$	0	

- In the quadrant to the right of the connection type heading (*Wireless*) you can set the name of the network *SIDD* (WiFi network name).
- You then have to insert the access *password* (PSSD).
- Confirm by touching the OK button to access the network.



- Once the wireless network connection is enabled, set the IP connection options to Dynamic or Static.
- Home Connections <
- Touch the OK button to confirm the option.

NOTE

In Dynamic mode, the IP address is assigned automatically.

If static mode is chosen, you have to enter the device IP address (Static IP) followed by the Gateway for the local area network (router, modem, hub or switch) and the DNS ("Domain names") in order to configure the device connection in alignment with the network; touch OK each time to confirm the data entered.

Home	Conne	ections		•	Connections	•		
Static IP 192.168.10.182/24		7	8	9		7	8	9
		4	5	6	Gateway	4	5	6
		1	2	3	192.168.10.254	1	2	3
		$\leftarrow$	0	OK		$\leftarrow$	0	OK

Connections	•		
	7	8	9
DNS/0	4	5	6
`	1	2	3
	$\leftarrow$	0	

#### 4-3-11 Resetting counters, maintenance and replacement of consumables

The Maintenance item in the Set menu index provides access to reset the individual counters for the parts requiring replacement during the operation of the N1clave product. More specifically, this covers replacement of the Safe Filter (water out filter), dust Filter, Bacter. Filter (bacterial filter) and Door Gasket.



**Dust Filter**, remove the steel grid located under the base of the device frame and rinse in running water.

Home Mainte		anance		Yes	No	
Replac	cement	Water C Dust Bacte	Dut filter <b>Filter</b> r. filter	Dust Filter <sub>Value: 0</sub> Do you confirm the counter reset?		
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- Once the filter is rinsed and clean, confirm the dust filter item by touching the OK button.
- Confirm completion of the cleaning by resetting the counter via the Yes button.
- **Bacter**. *Filter* (bacterial filter), remove the bacterial filter located inside the technical compartment in the tank.

Home Mainte		enance		Yes	No	
Replac	cement	Dust Bacte Door (	Filter r. filter Gasket	Bacter. Filter value: 0 Do you confirm the counter reset?		
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- After replacing the bacterial filter, confirm the **Bacter**. **Filter** item by touching the OK button.
- Reset the counter via the Yes button.
- Door Gasket, remove the old gasket, fit the replacement by inserting the gasket into the housing in the porthole disc, extend the rubber, ensure that it adheres uniformly around the entire circumference.



- Once the door gasket is replaced, confirm the *Door Gasket* item by touching the OK button.
- Reset the counter via the Yes button.
- *Inspection*, as indicated by the manufacturer (see table § validation).

Home Mainte		nance <		Yes	No	
Replac	cement	Door ( Inspe Water (	Gasket ection Out filter	Inspection Value: 0 Do you confirm the counter reset?		
		ОК				

- Once the validation inspection is completed, confirm the *Inspection* item by touching the OK button.
- Reset the counter via the Yes button.
- *Water Out Filter* (resin filters), remove the resin cartridge casings from the clean water tank compartment by turning them anticlockwise and lifting them upwards.

Home Mainte		enance		Yes	No	
Replacement		Inspection Water Out filter Dust Filter		Water Out filter Value: 0		
				Do you confirm the counter reset?		
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- Once the resin filters are replaced, confirm the *Water out Filter* item by touching the OK button.
- Reset the counter via the Yes button.

## 5-1 Turning on the sterilizer

Turn on the N1clave with the main switch located on the right side of the device. The touch display will show the following screens in sequence:



**ONLY FOR N1clave 8**<sup>+</sup>, **N1clave 9**<sup>+</sup> and **N1clave 10**<sup>+</sup>: Meanwhile, the touch panel provides visual indications, blue flashing lights, which signal the initialization of the sterilizer to the user.

When initialization is complete, the **Home** screen appears, with the main setup menu at the top and the cycles available in the menu in the quadrants below.

Home	Test	Set	Info
F	R	<b>B</b> 121	<b>B</b> Prion
Universal		<b>B</b> Fast	<b>S</b> Fast

By touching the main menu setup buttons: Home, Test, Set and Info, you can then access the respective:

- ① cycles menu
   ② test menu
   ③ setup menu item index
   ① ① ② ③ ④
   Home Test Set Info
- (4) device information

After initialization, the device enters a stand-by phase, where preheating and consumptions are managed automatically. The N1clave sterilizer is now ready to perform a sterilization cycle (as described in the following paragraphs). Arrange the material to be sterilized on the trays, place them in the chamber, select the desired program, touch the Start quadrant and close the door, or vice versa.

Check that the water level indicator on the display is not at the minimum level. Otherwise, fill the main tank with water up to the maximum level.

Home	Cycle	Info	Home	Test	Info	
))) (*	3	Options	Vacuum		Start	
Univ 134 °C - 2.1 Cycle for all t	ersal bar - 5:30 min types of loads	Start				

If the user wants to perform sterilization cycles or tests, but the water tank has not yet been refilled or the water is below the necessary minimum level, the visual indication will give a YELLOW signal (only for N1clave  $8^+,9^+,10^+$ ).



NOTE	If the N1clave has been connected directly to the water mains, refilling and water level
NOTE	management are performed automatically when the device is switched on

## 5-2 Daily sterilizer performance checks

During the inspections carried out by the manufacturer, in accordance with regulations, the sterilizer is subjected to extensive testing and calibration checks. These tests guarantee the performance of the device, except for cases of unauthorized repairs, tampering or improper use.

Although the device has an advanced diagnosis and process evaluation system, the operator is responsible for ensuring the maintenance of performance standards on a daily basis.

The frequency of these checks is regulated, at regional or local level, by the health protocols of the place of installation. The manufacturer recommends performing the following tests daily, in the morning, before using the sterilizer: **Vacuum**, **Helix** and **Bowie&Dick**, described in detail in the following paragraphs.

## 5-2-1 Vacuum Test

The purpose of the **Vacuum Test** is to verify that the sterilization chamber is perfectly sealed. The manufacturer recommends running the test at the start of the day, before beginning the daily sterilization cycles.

The **Vacuum Test** is performed without any materials in the machine (empty chamber), in stand-by (\*) and with an internal temperature of below 35 °C, which are the typical conditions of the device at the start of a working day.

- The Vacuum test can be selected and run via the **Test** menu
- Touch the **Start** quadrant and close the door, or vice versa, to launch the test.



The device automatically starts the vacuum test, which lasts for about 25 minutes. The quadrants on the touch display show the percentage progress status (1), the minutes elapsed on the timer (2), temperature (3) and pressure (4) readings, a phase indication (progressive bar(5)) in the main Vacuum quadrant, which indicates the process being performed, and, finally, a closed padlock symbol (6) to indicate that the door is sealed.



In the case of a negative test result, the lower quadrant on the touch display shows the alarm (Vacuum Fail) that indicates an insufficient chamber seal condition (see the chapter on Alarms).



- Touch the FAIL quadrant and confirm by touching the Door button to open the door. At the end of the release procedure, the door will open automatically.
- The same sequence is repeated if the user wants to abort the test via the Start quadrant button; the confirmation screen for aborting the process will appear.
- Confirm by pressing Yes (Yes), otherwise press No.



If the machine is configured to request operator authentication in order to abort the cycle, an operator password must be entered to activate the door opening procedure.

Yes	No	Test	Open door
Abort currer	nt process?	Te Abo	est rted

#### 5-2-2 B&D HELIX

The purpose of the B&D Helix program is to verify the effective penetration of the sterilizing steam in the instruments contained in the sterilization chamber.

It is recommended to perform the tests at the beginning of the day, before starting the daily sterilization cycles, although they can be performed at any time, with the sterilizer switched on.

Prepare the sterilizer for a Helix Test or a Bowie & Dick Test in accordance with the requirements of the test procedure regulations.

- The B&D Helix test can be selected and run via the **Test** menu
- Tap the Start quadrant and close the door, or vice versa, to launch the test.

You can interrupt the process at any time by pressing the Stop button on the operator panel.

Home	Test	Info		Stop Test		Info	
B	&D	B&D		&D	80.5 °C	-0.35 bar	
He	elix	Start	-	Helix		10 %	31:27 min

## 5-3 Preparing the material before sterilization

#### 5-3-1 Preliminary operations

All the material to be prepared for sterilization is normally contaminated. Before handling or moving contaminated materials or instruments, the following precautions should be taken:

- Wear rubber or latex gloves of suitable thickness and a face mask;
- wash your hands, with the gloves already on, using a germicidal detergent;
- separate the instruments suitable for sterilization from those that are not;
- do not carry contaminated instruments directly in your hands, but always use a suitable tray to carry the instruments;
- take great care with sharp instruments that can puncture normal rubber gloves; in such cases, protect your hands with gloves of adequate strength;
- once the handling and transfer of the contaminated materials is finished, carefully wash your hands while still wearing the gloves.

#### 5-3-2 Processing of materials and instruments before sterilization



Failure to clean and remove organic residues from the instruments to be sterilized can affect the sterilization process and cause damage to the instruments and/or the sterilizer.

Clean and process the materials and instruments to be sterilized as indicated in the following points:

- 1) Rinse the instruments thoroughly under running water immediately after using them.
- 2) Divide metal instruments into groups, according to the type of material of they are made (e.g.: brass, aluminium, stainless steel, carbon steel, chrome-plated metal) in order to avoid electrolytic oxidation.
- 3) Only for solid instruments: perform a preliminary wash with an ultrasonic device that uses a mixture of water and germicidal solution (follow the manufacturer's instructions) or use a washer-disinfector. For best results, use a special detergent for ultrasonic cleaning, with a neutral pH.

Solutions that contain phenols or quaternary ammonium compounds can cause corrosion on the instruments or the metal parts of the ultrasound device.

4) After washing and treatment of the instruments, visually check that all residues have been completely removed; if necessary, repeat the ultrasonic cleaning or perform thorough manual cleaning.

To avoid mineral deposits on the instruments to be processed, use demineralized or distilled water for rinsing. If ordinary tap water is used with a high degree of hardness, ensure that the instruments are thoroughly dried.

- 5) When cleaning handpieces, in addition to the steps described above, run a wash cycle using a device specially designed for cleaning handpieces, which performs thorough internal cleansing together with lubrication. It is the users responsability to ensure chemical compatibility before using a thermal washer disinfector.
- 6) For sterilization of porous materials, wash and dry the materials thoroughly before sterilization.



For washing fabrics and porous materials in general, do not use detergents with high concentrations of chlorine and/or phosphates, such as bleach, as they can damage the support and the metal trays inside the chamber during the subsequent sterilization cycle.

## 5-4 Arrangement of the material on the trays before sterilization

Follow the guidelines below to obtain optimum effectiveness from the sterilization process and to preserve the life of the materials and instruments.

- Arrange instruments of different metals, previously separated, on different trays;
- When sterilising instruments made of metal other than stainless steel, place a sheet of sterilization paper between the tray and the instrument to avoid direct contact between the two materials;
- Position cutting instruments so that they do not come into contact during the sterilization cycle; if necessary, isolate them with gauze or cotton cloth;
- Arrange receptacles and containers (tubes, cups, glasses, etc.) on their sides or in an inverted position as water accumulation must be avoided;
- Do not place more instruments on the trays than they can contain; any overloading must be avoided;
- Arrange the instruments with sufficient spacing and ensure that they remain separated throughout the sterilization cycle.
- Position articulated instruments, such as scissors, in an open position;
- Do not stack the trays one above another or in direct contact with the walls of the chamber; always use the tray support provided with the sterilizer;
- Always use the supplied extraction clamp to insert or remove the trays from the sterilization chamber.



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## 5-5 Program Selection

Depending on the degree of sterilization required, the operator has a selection of various types of programs, with class B and class S sterilization cycles, as described in Programs Table. To select a program, press the corresponding button on the operator panel

Home	Test	Set	Info
	R	<b>B</b> 121	<b>B</b> Prion
Universal		<b>B</b> Fast	S Fast

After selecting the program, start the cycle by pressing the "Start" button on the operator panel

Home Cycle		Info
	3	Options
Univ 134 °C - 2.1 I Cycle for all	ersal bar - 5:30 min types of load	Start

When the "Start" command is pressed, the sterilizer will start the door closing procedure and the display will show the various parameters and the status of the sterilization cycle.

Stop	Cycle	Info	
**	R	56.2 °C	0.01 bar
Univ	ersal	3 % PUL	33:49 min

To see the status of the various phases, press the "info" button for a broader overview of the different steps of the process.

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#### PROGRAM TABLE

Test	types	B Universal	B 121	B Prion	B fast	S Fast	B&D Helix test	Vacuum test
Су	cle	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class B	Class S	TEST	TEST
	N1clave 6	6	6	6	1	1		
Maximum	N1clave 7	7	7	7	1.2	1.2		
Solid Load	N1clave 8⁺	8	8	8	2	2		
(Kg)	N1clave 9⁺	9	9	9	2.5	2.5	Helix test	
	N1clave 10⁺	10	10	10	3	3	equivalent	Empty
	N1clave 6	2	2	2	Not allowed	Not allowed	B&D test	chamber
Maximum	N1clave 7	2.5	2.5	2.5	Not allowed	Not allowed	pack or equivalent	
Porous Load	N1clave 8⁺	3	3	3	Not allowed	Not allowed		
(Kg)	N1clave 9⁺	3.5	3.5	3.5	Not allowed	Not allowed		
	N1clave 10⁺	4	4	4	Not allowed	Not allowed		
Vacuum	phases	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Sterilization	temperature	134°C	121°C	134°C	134°C	134°C	134°C	
Sterilization ba	temperature nd	134 ÷ 137°C	121 ÷ 124°C	134 ÷ 137°C	134 ÷ 137°C	134 ÷ 137°C	134 ÷ 137°C	Not applicable
Sterilization p	ressure band	2.03 ÷ 2.30 bar	1.04 ÷ 1.24 bar	2.03 ÷ 2.30 bar	2.03 ÷ 2.30 bar	2.03 ÷ 2.30 bar	2.03 ÷ 2.30 bar	Temperature below 35°C
Steriliza	tion time	05:30 min	20:30 min	20:30 min	03:30 min	03:30 min	03:30 min	
Dryin	g time	12:00 min	20:00 min	17:00 min	08:00 min	05:00 min	02:00 min	

### 5-6 Program execution



Blue: Closing phase Yellow: Vacuum phase Green: Sterilization phase Blue: Drying phase Red: End of cycle

#### 5-6-1 Closing phase

When the program starts, the door closing procedure is activated and the vacuum pump creates an initial vacuum in order to ensure proper closure. Once the vacuum level is reached, the machine is completely closed. The system then returns the pressure to zero and activates the pre-heating of the chamber.

#### 5-6-2 Vacuum phase

In this first phase, the vacuum pump is activated and a specific quantity of water is pumped into the chamber. During this phase, the cycle phase can be viewed.



This phase is repeated several times for a total time of between 10 and 20 minutes, depending on the chamber and load conditions.

A slight noise may be heard as the pump starts up.

#### 5-6-3 Sterilization phase

Once the programmed parameters are attained, the sterilization phase (SPS) begins.



The process countdown starts in the Time area on the display and the temperature in the sterilization chamber is shown.

Stop	Cycle	•		
<u></u>		Cycle N. Phase: Time:	SPE	
12	· B		106.3 °C 111.1 °C 0.0 °C	
Universal				

At the end of the sterilization phase, the indicator SPE appears in the cycle phase area.

#### 5-6-4 Drying phase

When the sterilization phase is complete, the decompression and drying phase begins and the display indicates the start of this phase (DPS).

During this phase, the heating elements continue to heat the chamber based on a differentiated logic controlled by the microprocessor. The vacuum pump starts up once more to remove the residual steam. At the end of this phase, the display will show DPE (which ends the drying phase).



This is followed by a phase of forced ventilation through a bacterial filter and pressure reduction, which reduces the pressure and temperature in order to ensure safe conditions for opening the door.

#### 5-6-5 End of cycle

CycleOpen doorSterilization Cycle<br/>Completed

At the end of the drying, the sterilizer indicates the completion of the cycle.

At this point, the heating elements are disabled and remain in a low-power pre-heating state until the door is opened. The "Door open" button can now be pressed to activate the door opening procedure.

<b>NOTE</b> If the door is not opened or a button pressed within 30 minutes from the end of the p the device automatically switches to standby mode (OFF state).	ogram,
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If a fault occurs or an out-of-tolerance parameter is detected during the cycle, the ALARM indicator lights up, the type of alarm is indicated on the display (see the Alarms chapter) and the door remains locked. To unlock the door, you must abort the cycle and the machine will then automatically enable the door opening procedure



The instruments and sterilization chamber are very hot. There is also a risk of bacterial contamination.

### 5-7 Interrupting the program

If necessary, you can abort the program currently in progress at any time by pressing the "Stop" button. The "cycle aborted" message appears on the display.

- Once the machine cycle is aborted, the "door open" button will appear. Press the button to activate the door opening procedure.
- Remove the load with extreme care and check for the presence of water inside the chamber. If the load is wrapped, it is advisable to replace the wraps.
- Before reloading the sterilization chamber, carefully dry the inside of it and wait for 10 minutes to allow evaporation and the complete drainage of water.



The instruments and sterilization chamber are very hot. There is also a risk of bacterial contamination.

## 5-8 Draining the tanks

The sterilizer is equipped with two tanks of approximately 4 litres: the main water tank and contaminated water recovery tank.

The Perpetual Water system in the hydraulic circuit allows the steam produced during the sterilization cycle to be reused. It is collected directly in the clean water tank after being filtered by a bacterial filter.

#### 5-8-1 Refilling the clean water tank

The Perpetual Water system ensures the reuse of water in order to limit the use of water in the sterilizer. However, as the cycles proceed, there is a consumption of water that can lead to an insufficient level in the clean water tank.

When this occurs, the "minimum clean water tank level" warning appears on the display. In this case, fill the tank with water until the "maximum clean water tank level" warning appears



If the Water-in filters are installed, complete filling of the tank may be slowed down by their filtering action. Therefore, take care not to refill the tank too quickly

#### 5-8-2 Draining the water tanks

The "used water tank full" warning indicates an excessive level of water in the contaminated water recovery tank. In this case, or if the clean water tank needs to be drained, proceed as follows:

1) Switch off the device.

CAUTION

- 2) Connect the provided hose (1) to the drain connection (2).
- Insert the end of the hose (1) in a suitable container (3).



- 4) Turn the tap (4) upwards to drain the clean water.
- 5) Turn the tap (4) downwards to drain the used water.
- 6) When the tanks are completely empty, return the tap (4) to a horizontal position to close the drain.
- 7) Disconnect the hose from the drain connection.





The Water in the used water tank should be considered as biologically contaminated, therefore appropriate precautions should be taken if the tank is emptied. Waste water must be disposed of in accordance with local or national regulations.

#### 5-8-3 Checking the water quality

To prevent accidental use of poor quality water, the device is equipped with an automatic water quality control system that measures its conductivity. The control system is part of the initial diagnostic tests and comes into operation automatically when the machine is switched on.

The system activates the "change Water-in filter" warning if the conductivity of the water is between 16 and 99  $\mu$ s. If the conductivity is more than 99  $\mu$ s, the system will display the "cycle cannot be started; replace Water-in filter" warning.

#### The following table shows the recommended minimum parameters for the water to be used

Pollutants	Supply water
evaporation residue	≤ 10 mg/l
silicon oxide	≤ 1 mg/l
iron	≤ 0.2 mg/l
cadmium	≤ 0.005 mg/l
lead	≤ 0.05 mg/l
residues of heavy metals, excluding iron, cadmium and lead	≤ 0.1 mg/l
chlorine	≤ 2 mg/l
phosphates	≤ 0.5 mg/l
Conductivity (at 20°C)	≤ 15 uS
Ph	from 5 to 7.5
appearance	Colourless, clean without sediment
hardness	≤ 0.02 mmol/l

## 5-9 Connections

#### 5-9-1 Connecting to an external printer

The device does not have an integrated printer, but is designed for connection to an external printer, to which the process data is sent in order to document and certify the sterilization.

The use of a printer, which is required in some countries, is destined to become ever more frequent, in order to also ensure the proper sterilization of dental materials from a medical-legal perspective.



The printer cable should not be more than 3 metres in length. A printer with a USB interface can be connected to the serial port on the device. In sequence:

- 1) turn on the printer;
- 2) turn on the sterilizer.

The report is printed automatically during the cycle and will contain the following information:

- Brand
- Model
- Serial number
- Software version
- Cycle name
- Cycle number
- Sterilization temperature
- Sterilization range
- Maximum temperature deviation
- Sterilization duration
- Conductivity
- User
- · Cycle start date and time
- Sterilization phases (name, start time, duration, temperature, pressure);
- Maximum time deviation;
- User
- Cycle end date and time
- Cycle outcome
- Trk

```
NSK
Product name:
S/N: 123456
Software revision: 1.1.1
Cycle: B Universal
Cycle Number: 000001
Ster. temp.: 134.0°C
Ster. band: 134.0 - 137.0°C
Max temp. allowed deviation: 2K
Sterilization time: 04:00
Conductivity: 8 us/cm
User start:
Start date: 12/12/2018 11:18:39
                   T°C
Ph. Time
           Par
                          Pbar
                   61.5
                        -0.02
ST 00:00 00:00
PP1 02:16
          02:16
                   53.4 -0.87
VP1 05:58
          03:42
                  106.2
                         0.41
PP2 10:12
          04:14
                   63.9
                         -0.82
VP2 13:53 03:41
                 109.3 0.40
          ------
SPS 28:07 00:00 134.1
                         2.04
SPE 32:07
                          2.15
          04:00
                  135.5
Max temp. deviation: 0.50K
                         -----
DPS 32:07 00:00
                  135.5
                         2.15
DPE 48:07 16:00
                   62.3 -0.94
                  65.1 -0.02
PLE 49:14 00:22
END 49:14 00:00
                 65.1 -0.02
User end:
End date: 12/12/2018 11:18:39
Cycle completed
Trk.
```

In the event of malfunction or interruption of the cycle, the device will indicate the corresponding alarm and the printer will provide a printout indicating the problem encountered (see examples below):

```
NSK
Product name:
S/N: 123456
Software revision: 1.1.1
Cycle: B Universal
Cycle Number: 000001
Ster. temp.: 134.0°C
Ster. band: 134.0 - 137.0°C
Max temp. allowed deviation: 2K
Sterilization time: 04:00
Conductivity: 8 uS/cm
User start:
Start date: 12/12/2018 11:18:39
Ph. Time
            Par
                    T°C
                            Pbar
ST 00:00
           00:00
                    61.5
                           -0.02
PP1 02:16
           02:16
                    53.4
                          -0.87
VP1 05:58
           03:42
                   106.2
                           0.41
PP2 10:12
           04:14
                    63.9
                          -0.82
VP2 13:53
          03:41
                   109.3
                           0.40
                 134.1
SPS 28:07 00:00
                           2.04
SPE 32:07
           04:00
                   135.5
                            2.15
Max temp. deviation: 0.50K
DPS 32:07 00:00
                   135.5
                           2.15
prying phase interrupted
PLE 49:14 00:22 65.1
                          -0.02
END 49:14 00:00
                    65.1 -0.02
User end:
End date: 12/12/2018 11:18:39
Sterilization cycle completed
Drying interrupted
Load for immediately use
Trk.
```

```
NSK
Product name:
S/N: 123456
Software revision: 1.1.1
Cycle: B Universal
Cycle Number: 000001
Ster. temp.: 134.0°C
Ster. band: 134.0 - 137.0°C
Max temp. allowed deviation: 2K
Sterilization time: 04:00
Conductivity: 8 uS/cm
User start:
Start date: 12/12/2018 11:18:39
Ph. Time
            Par
                    T°C
                            Pbar
           00:00
ST
   00:00
                    61.5
                           -0.02
PP1 02:16
           02:16
                    53.4
                           -0.87
VP1 05:58
           03:42
                   106.2
                           0.41
PP2 10:12
           04:14
                    63.9
                           -0.82
VP2 13:53
           03:41
                   109.3
                           0.40
SPS 28:07 00:00
                   134.1
                           2.04
cycle interrupted/aborted
PLE 49:14 00:22
                    65.1 -0.02
END 49:14 00:00
                   65.1 -0.02
User end:
Rnd date: 12/12/2018 11:18:39
Cycle interrupted/aborted
Trk.
```

The printer can provide labels in barcode form.

The barcode contains the following information:

- Model
- Serial number
- 18-character identification number (serial number + cycle number + date)
- CODE 39 barcode
- Cycle name
- Cycle number
- User
- Cycle date
- Expiration date
- Cycle outcome

The ticket dimensions are 54.00 mm x 25.75 mm. An example of a label with a barcode is shown below:

Product name			Barcode code 39
Serial number			ID number
Release Operator —		00045230320 *	Sterilization date
Cycle type	- N1clave S/N:N	D123456 st:2020-03-23	Expiry date
Process results	Release op.:XXXXXXXXX Cycle:B PRION SUCCESS	exp:2020-04-23 Cycle n°:000045	Cycle number

At the end of the working day, turn the printer off.

#### 5-9-2 Connecting to a USB memory drive

The sterilizer can be connected to a device that saves the sterilization reports on a USB memory drive instead of printing them on paper.

Do not connect devices not specified by the manufacturer.

A report can be downloaded for each cycle performed via the USB connection.

The report is saved in .txt format (simple unformatted text) on the USB memory drive connected to the USB port on the right side of the display.

The memory drive must not be inserted or removed while the device is performing a cycle, otherwise the sterilizer will not copy the cycles to the USB drive.

Once the memory drive is inserted, the sterilizer automatically detects its presence and a menu is activated displaying a progress bar that indicates the progress of saving to the memory.

The unit creates a file for each cycle and the file name contains the sequential number of the cycle. The file contains essential information for traceability and the most important values: time, temperature and pressure.

The internal memory in the device stores the information from previous cycles, so it is possible to recover this data if the USB memory drive is missing or defective.

The USB drive must be of high quality for the safety of the data, and a data backup should be created.

The size of the data is just a few kilo-bytes, therefore a small capacity drive is sufficient. A large amount of data stored on the USB drive reduces the access speed, so it is recommended to delete the files from the memory once a backup copy is created.

Each time the USB drive is inserted in the device, it compares the files it contains with those stored in the internal memory and the missing files are copied; this operation may take several seconds, during which keyboard operation is disabled to prevent the device from being switched off. The last 20 cycles stored in the device are written again in the memory; this should be borne in mind when creating a backup.

If an external printer is used, the printed report may be the same as that on the USB drive or it may be a simplified report with a barcode, if a label printer is used; in any case, the file on the USB device contains a complete report. The manufacturer assumes no responsibility for any data lost due to poor database management or defective USB drives.



# 6 Alarm

## 6-1 Overview

When the device is switched on and during each sterilization cycle, the characteristic parameters of the various phases of the cycle are constantly monitored, together with the proper functioning and acceptable condition of all the components.

Any anomaly or fault is immediately indicated on the display through warning messages and alarm codes, together with an acoustic signal.

There are 3 different types of information messages:

ERRORS: errors occur in the case of incorrect use by the operator. These errors normally allow the start of the cycle but require certain actions by the operator (typically to restore the levels of consumables or perform maintenance). WARNINGS: warnings occur in the case of machine malfunction; this type of malfunction does not cause interruption of the sterilization cycle. The cycle will continue until completed but it will no longer be possible to perform a new cycle until the malfunction is resolved.

ALARMS: alarms occur in case of machine malfunctions that affect the sterilization cycle. These malfunctions require immediate interruption of the sterilization and activation of the machine safe shutdown procedure. Also in this case, once the sterilizer is safely shut down, no further cycles can be performed until the cause of the fault is resolved.

- The following paragraphs contain tables listing the possible Warning Messages and Alarms. The tables show:
- the alarm code indicated on the display in the first column on the left;
   the message indicated on the display in the second column;
- the message indicated on the display in the second column;

## 6-2 Error Message List

No.	Error message	Additional message	Causes
E01	Door fails to close.	Try again. If the problem persists, contact customer support.	Vacuum generation problems, mechanical problems in the door, mechanical door closure obstructions.
E02	Manual shutdown.	Warning: material not sterile. If there is moisture in the chamber, dry it and restart the cycle.	
E03	No water in the clean water tank.	Fill the system tank with clean water.	No Water-in the clean water tank.
E04	Used water tank full.	Empty the used water tank.	Used water tank full.
E05	Clean water tank at maximum level.		
E06	Water recycling system activated.		
E07	Door open.	Close the door.	
E08	Vacuum test cannot be executed (chamber temperature too high).	Wait for the chamber to cool down.	
E09	Excessive pre-heating time	Reduce the load. If the problem persists, contact customer support.	Excessive load
E10	The Water-out filter cap is open.	Close the Water-out filter cap.	
E11	Water-in filters depleted	Check the water conductivity and the filter if necessary.	
E12	Cycle cannot be run due to depleted Water-in filter.	Replace the Water-in filters immediately.	
E13	The chamber gasket needs to be replaced.		
E14	The bacterial filter needs to be replaced.		
E15	The Water-out filter needs to be replaced.		
E16	The dust filter needs maintenance.	The dust filter must be removed and cleaned.	
E17	Technical support maintenance is required.		
E18	The device requires validation.		
E19	Printer not detected		Printer connection problems
E20	Error connecting to the mass storage drive.	Data transfer to the external memory failed.	Mass storage drive connection problems or faulty mass storage drive.

## 6-3 Warning Message List

No.	Warning message	Additional message	Causes
W01	PES - Vacuum pulse failed.	Check the load and inspect the door gasket; contact technical support.	Excessive load, damaged door gasket, damaged hoses, leaks in the hydraulic circuit.
W02	PES – Positive pulse failed.	Check the load and inspect the door gasket; contact technical support.	Excessive load, damaged door gasket, damaged hoses, leaks in the hydraulic circuit.
W03	PES – Vacuum pulse failed during drying	Check the load and inspect the door gasket; contact technical support.	Excessive load, damaged door gasket, damaged hoses, leaks in the hydraulic circuit.
W04	PES – Vacuum test failed (stabilization phase)	Check the door gasket; contact technical support.	Damaged door gasket, damaged hoses, leaks in the hydraulic circuit.
W05	PES – Vacuum test failed (leakage rate)	Check the door gasket; contact technical support.	Damaged door gasket, damaged hoses, leaks in the hydraulic circuit.
W06	PES – Vacuum test failed (hydraulic circuit)	Contact technical support.	Leaks in the circuit.
W07	PES – Vacuum test failed (hydraulic circuit – Zeolite circuit)	Contact technical support.	Leaks in the circuit.
W08	PES – Vacuum test failed due to excessive temperature.	Contact technical support.	
W09	Air detection system fault.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
W10	Temperature sensor fault on band heater 1.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
W11	Temperature sensor fault on band heater 2.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
W12	Conductivity sensor out of range.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
W13	Conductivity sensor fault.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
W14	Conductivity meter temperature sensor out of range.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
W15	Conductivity meter temperature sensor fault.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
W16	Internal battery fault.	Contact technical support.	

## 6-4 Alarm Message List

No.	Alarm message	Additional message	Causes
A01	Chamber heating failure.	Reset the safety thermostat.	Steam generator or band heater fault.
A02	Door closing system fault.	Try again. If the problem persists, contact customer support.	Microswitch problems, mechanical problems in the door closing system.
A03	Steam generator fault.	Reset the safety thermostat.	Safety thermostat triggered.
A04	Door fails to open.	Contact technical support.	Mechanical problems in the door opening system.
A05	Leakage problems.	Check the door gasket; contact technical support.	Damaged door gasket, damaged hoses.
A06	Fault in steam generator cartridge heater 1.	Reset the safety thermostat. If the problem persists, contact customer support.	Steam generator cartridge heater fault. Safety thermostat triggered.
A07	Fault in steam generator cartridge heater 2.	Reset the safety thermostat. If the problem persists, contact customer support.	Steam generator cartridge heater fault. Safety thermostat triggered.
A08	Cartridge heater fault in band heater 1.	Reset the safety thermostat. If the problem persists, contact customer support.	Band heater cartridge heater fault. Safety thermostat triggered.
A09	Cartridge heater fault in band heater 2.	Reset the safety thermostat. If the problem persists, contact customer support.	Band heater cartridge heater fault. Safety thermostat triggered.
A10	Heat exchanger fan fault.	Contact technical support.	Faulty heat exchanger fan.
A11	Pressure increase ramp too fast.	Contact technical support.	Fault in the injection pump or in the I/O circuit board
A12	PES – Insufficient sterilization pressure.	Check the pressure sensor; if the problem persists, contact technical support.	
A13	PES – Excessive sterilization pressure.	Check the pressure sensor; if the problem persists, contact technical support.	
A14	PES – Sterilization temperature too low.	Check the temperature sensor; if the problem persists, contact technical support.	Check that the temperature sensor inside the chamber is not in contact with the load or damaged.
A15	PES – Sterilization temperature too high.	Check the temperature sensor; if the problem persists, contact technical support.	Check that the temperature sensor inside the chamber is not in contact with the load or damaged.
A16	PES – Steam quality error – Air detection system.	Check the door gasket. If the problem persists, contact customer support.	
A17	PES- Steam quality error – Overheated steam.	If the problem persists, contact customer support.	
A18	Injection system fault.	Contact technical support.	Injection pump blocked or faulty.
A19	Chamber temperature sensor fault	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
A20	Steam generator temperature sensor fault.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
A21	Fault in steam generator thermocouple 1.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.

No.	Alarm message	Additional message	Causes
A22	Fault in steam generator thermocouple 1.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
A23	Heat exchanger temperature sensor fault.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
A24	U/I circuit board temperature sensor fault.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
A25	I/O circuit board overheating.	If the problem persists, contact customer support.	Overheating.
A26	Pressure transducer fault.	Contact technical support.	Faulty transducer.
A27	U/I circuit board temperature sensor fault.	Contact technical support.	Sensor fault.
A28	U/I circuit board overheating.	If the problem persists, contact customer support.	Overheating.
A29	Communication error.	Contact technical support.	
A30	Internal error.	Contact technical support.	Internal software error.

## 7-1 Periodic maintenance

Maintenance of the device must be carried out by suitably trained personnel, who have
particularly in Chapter 2 regarding Safety.
Always wear appropriate PPE.

The minimum space required for maintenance corresponds to that indicated for use, see Par. 4.2. The following table indicates the periodic maintenance operations that the User must ensure are performed regularly. It indicates the frequency of the maintenance and describes the type of operation to perform.

Frequency	Type of operation	Operation procedure
Daily	Manual cleaning of the sterilization chamber. This should be done when the chamber is cold.	Cleaning to be done manually using a Lint Free cloth moistened with demineralized water
Daily	Manual cleaning of the rubber gasket on the door. This should be done when the chamber is cold.	Cleaning to be done manually using a Lint Free cloth moistened with demineralized water
Depends on the machine model	Replacement of Water-in filters.	See paragraph 7.2
Every 6 months, or after 250 cycles	Replacement of Water-out filter.	See paragraph 7.3
Every 6 months, or after 500 cycles	Dust filter maintenance.	See paragraph 7.4
Every 6 months, or after 500 cycles	Replacement of bacteriological filter.	See paragraph 7.5
Every year, or after 1,000 cycles	Replacement of rubber door gasket.	See paragraph 7.6

### PERIODIC MAINTENANCE TABLE

## 7-2 Replacing the Water-in filter

- 1) Switch off the device.
- 2) Drain the clean water tank completely.
- 3) Remove the upper panel on the device.
- 4) Raise the cover (1) to access the tray (3).



- 5) Turn the Water-in filter (2) in an anticlockwise direction to remove it.
- 6) Dry any remaining water from the inside of the tray (3) and the clean water tank (4).
- 7) Install a new filter (2) by turning it in a clockwise direction.

	• There may be 2 or 3 filters,
	depending on the machine
NOTE	configuration.
	Replace all the PURE filters
	present in the tank.

- 8) Reposition the tray (3) in the water tank (4).
- 9) Reposition the cover (1) on the tray (3).
- 10)Refit the upper panel on the device.



When the operations are completed, reset the device; see paragraph 4-3-11



## 7-3 Replacing the Water-out filter

- 1) Switch off the device.
- 2) Open the door to access the front of the machine.
- 3) Place a cloth (1) beneath the machine to dry any residual water.
- 4) Unscrew the filter holder cap (2).
- 5) Remove the Water-out filter (3) and replace it with a new one.



- 6) Make sure that the cover (4) is properly positioned in the bottom of the housing.
- 7) Place the new filter (3) on the filter holder (2).
- 8) Insert the filter holder and tighten it completely (2).



### 7-4 Dust filter maintenance

- 1) Switch off the device.
- 2) Open the door to access the front of the machine.
- 3) Unscrew the dust filter (1).
- 4) Rinse the filter under running water.
- 5) Dry the filter with compressed air and insert it in the provided compartment.



## 7-5 Replacing the bacterial filter

- 1) Switch off the device.
- 2) Remove the upper panel on the device.
- 3) Raise the cover (1) to access the technical compartment.
- 4) Turn the bacterial filter anticlockwise to remove it (2).
- 5) Fit a new filter (2) by turning it in a clockwise direction.
- 6) Reposition the cover (1) on the technical compartment.
- 7) Refit the upper panel on the device.



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When the operations are completed, reset the device; see paragraph 4-3-11
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## 7-6 Replacing the rubber door gasket

- 1) Switch off the device.
- 2) Open the door.
- 3) Remove the gasket (1) from the porthole (2).



- 4) Replace the gasket with a new one.
- 5) Insert the new gasket into the channels in the four opposite sides of the porthole, as shown in the figure.
- 6) Push each side of the gasket in so that it does not rise up.

NOTE N	Make sure that it is pushed in evenly
	on each side.

- 7) Adjust the gasket evenly so that there are no ripples.
- 8) Restore the suitable conditions for proper machine operation.
- 9) Run a sterilization cycle to verify that the device is working properly.

When the operations are completed, reset the device, see paragraph 4-3-WARNING 11



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