

Operating Instructions for the use of:

idc Opti-Safe

for 'Sharps & Contaminated Medical Waste' Models: Opt 700ml, 1.7, 2.1 & 3.0 Litre

##Sharp and pointed objects, or contaminated articles generated during daily use, can be a danger to life and limb if used incorrectly. Please follow these Operating Instructions and Safety Guidelines.

1. Fitting the Lid

Before filling, firmly press the Lid (1) onto the bottom section of the Container (2) - the Base -until you hear the Lid (1) lock into place.

2. Everyday use (Temporary Closure)

For everyday use the container may be temporarily closed (sealed). To do this, lightly press the Day Lid (3) into the Lid Opening (4). Open once again to use the Container.

3. Sealing of the Day Lid (3)

(FINAL Closure)

After the Container is FULL, proceed as follows; Place the Container on a firm surface and press the Day Lid (3) firmly into the Lid Opening (4), until you hear it lock into place – an audible 'click'. **caution:** do not fill higher than the level indicator ("Fill-Line") (5) on the Container:

4. Level indicator ("Fill-Line"), maximum fill height (5)

At the top section of the Container a level indicator (5) is visible. Under no circumstances fill the Container above the level indicator. For security reasons do not exceed the maximum fill height (5).

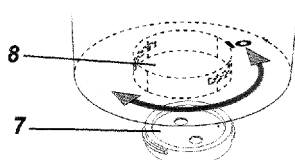
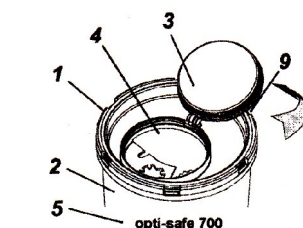
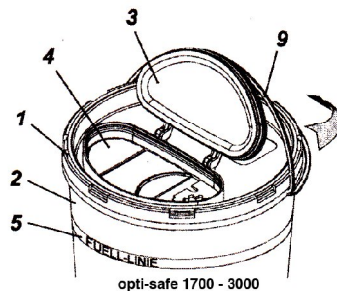
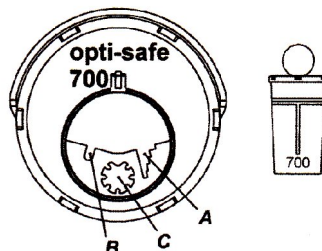
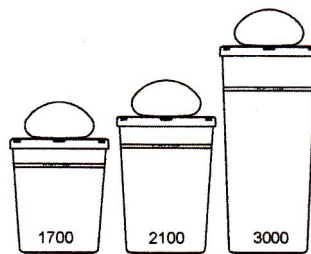
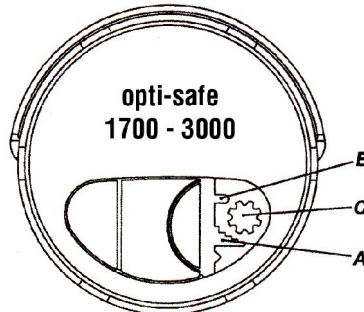
5. Universal Bracket with Adhesive (QSLOCK) - (7)

If using the Universal Bracket (7), proceed as follows: Turn Container over. There is an adapter recess located in the bottom of the Container (8). Insert the Bracket (7) into the recess and turn clock-wise.

5.1 Determine where you want to position the Container and in which direction the pull-off / twist-off device will point (see also 6. Pull-off/ Twist-off devices). The position where you want to secure the Bracket (7), must be cleaned of any grease and dust.

5.2 Firstly, pull the protective film off the Bracket to reveal the sticky adhesive. Next, place the Container, together with the Bracket (7), onto the selected location. Press down firmly onto the Container. This will ensure the Bracket adhesive has bonded to the surface. The Bracket (7) is now anchored in position. To be certain, twist off the Container from the Bracket (7) and press again firmly around the edge of the Bracket. The Bracket (7) is now stable and secure.

5.3 A new Container can now be attached to the Bracket as often as required. The Container cannot be knocked over. Bracket (7) screw holes are also provided, for those circumstances where screwing the Bracket to a surface is preferred to using the adhesive method.



After the Container is FULL and sealed (see also: sealing of the day lid), twist off the Container (separate from the Bracket (7)) by turning it anti-clockwise.

5.4 Container to Bracket:

To lock **on** the Container, turn clockwise. To take the Container **off**, turn anti-clockwise.

6. Carrying Device (9) - Handle

At the top of the Sharps Container base is a Carrying device (handle) (9). By lightly pulling the handle up (see picture) the container can easily be carried &/or transported to place of final disposal.

7. Pull-off/Twist-off device

7.1 Recess with Steps, Jagged Notch (A)

With blood collecting systems, insert the cannula lug into the indented recess (A) until the edges of the blood collecting system interlock. Turn the cannula anti-clockwise until the cannula is twisted off. The cannula will then fall into the bottom part of the container (2).

7.2 Semicircular Recess (B)

This notch (B) is used to remove normal cannulas from the syringe. If the used blood collecting system fits into this recess (B), turn the cannula anti-clockwise until it falls into the bottom part of the sharps container.

7.3 Stellar Multi-Toothed Opening (C)

Twist off device for insulin pens. After the use of the insulin pen, position the pen-cannula into the round multi-tooth opening (C) and rotate the pen anti-clockwise a few times. When the cannula is twisted off, push the insulin pen slightly deeper into the multi-tooth opening (C). The pen-cannula then falls into the container.

(i) Use for the Proper Purpose

This Container is only for use in the disposal of medical waste; eg. cannula, syringes, scalpels and broken glass. Using it in any other way is contrary to the proper purpose. If used contrary to the proper purpose, IDC Medical is not liable. Always follow the guidelines prescribed by the Infection Control Association. Dispose of properly according to regional regulations & requirements.

(ii) General Description

The Opti-Safe is manufactured from environmentally friendly polypropylene. There are no harmful emissions if the container is incinerated. Manufacturing data, such as date of production (month/year) and serial number are stated on the container for batch tracing purposes.

Safety Guidelines

- Before filling the Sharps Container, the Lid (1) has to be on and locked into place
- Do not reach into the Container with your hand or in any other way (risk of injury)
- Do not push any objects forcefully into the Container
- Do not attempt to press the sides of a filled Container together from the outside in any way.
- Before disposing of the Container, make sure, that the Lid (3) is closed tightly into the Container Lid Opening (1)
- Scalpels should be disposed of with extra care.
- If too much force is used while inserting objects or filling the Container, there is the danger of tilting and / or damaging the Container wall or the bottom of the Container.
- Do not pour fluids into the Container
- To avoid the Container accidentally tipping over, secure the Container by screwing on the recommended Universal Bracket (QSLOCK).
- Follow the operating instructions and pay attention to the 'Biohazard Label' on the Container
- Do not shake the Container. Do not drop the Container
- Before closing the Container, make sure there are no objects protruding out. If that is the case, remove them.
- Always close the Container by hand, never use force
- Do not use the Hinged Lid (3) to push in objects that are being disposed of.
- Never drop hazardous material transversely into the Container. Always deposit waste vertically.
- After FINAL CLOSURE do not press the Container against your own body (e.g. chest)
- Should the operating instructions and safety guidelines not be followed, IDC Medical cannot be held liable.
- **Sharp and pointed objects do not belong in plastic bags or other unsuitable containers.**

Note:

The images and information in these Operating Instructions are subject to technical change if necessary

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