# NewGen Surgical Needle Counter User Reference Guide



To open the needle counter, pull apart the two sides as shown above.



Place larger needles and blades flat on magnetic surface.

## **Clinical Features**

- All needle counters include:
  - Easy-to-read numbers for securing of needles
  - Secure latch with audible closure feedback
  - Compliance with OSHA requirements and ASTM F2132 for puncture resistance
  - Latex free
  - Red color signifying biohazard
- Full-surface magnet provides extra space for odd-shaped sharps
- Adhesive tabs secure the needle counter to any workspace
- Selection of foam, magnet, and adhesive combinations

## **Environmental Features**

- Needle counter box is sourced from plant-based material:
  - 93% plastic reduction by weight
  - Reduction in energy used for production
  - Less plastic produced and discarded
  - Able to decompose; rate dependent on disposal conditions
- Prop 65 compliant
- Free of intentionally added BPA or BPA derived plastics, mercury, phthalates, and PVC
- 1,000 pounds of plastic waste can be eliminated for every 12,500 needle counters; be part of our Small Change, Big Impact EPP™ program
- 100% of the packaging for the single sterile needle counters can be recycled if the hospital and their respective waste hauler providers support this service

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#### Intended Use

The NewGen Surgical Needle Counter is a single-use, sterile device designed to safely facilitate correct count and disposal of needles and blades during surgical procedures.

#### **Warnings and Precautions**

NewGen Surgical Needle Counters are manufactured with natural materials. With these materials, some discoloration and texture variation may be present; this does not affect the performance, safety, or sterility of the needle counter.

To ensure proper functioning, keep dry. Do not use as a fluid reservoir. Do not submerge or expose the needle counter to water or other liquids.

To ensure secure closure, do not separate needle counter box.

When using needle counters with magnets, caution should be used during procedures with materials or equipment which may be adversely affected by magnetic fields.

The device meets OSHA requirements and ASTM F2132 for puncture resistance. Do not use excessive force that could compromise the integrity of the needle counter box.

This device is manufactured and sterilized for single use only.

Do not reuse, reprocess, or resterilize. Reuse, reprocessing, or resterilization may compromise the structural integrity of the device and/or lead to device failure.

Store in a cool, dry place.

Do not use if product is damaged. Do not use if package is open or damaged.

#### Instructions for Use

- 1. Remove tabs to expose adhesive on the front and back of the needle counter container.
- 2. Open needle counter and place on flat surface.

2a. For foam block configurations, remove the adhesive backing, replace, and press firmly to secure foam.

- 3. Place used needles in to container during procedure; one per numbered space.
- 4. Place larger needles and blades flat on magnetic surface.
- 5. Securely close needle counter once container is at capacity and/or procedure has ended.
- 6. Dispose the needle counter in compliance with facility guidelines for disposing of sharps.



