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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE – LMA Fastrach™ ETT**

**CAUTION: Federal (USA) law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.**

**WARNING: LMA Fastrach™ ETT is supplied non-sterile and must be cleaned and sterilized before initial use and before each subsequent use. The packaging cannot withstand the high temperatures of autoclaving and should be discarded before sterilisation.**

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

Unless otherwise stated, the reference to “LMA Fastrach™” stated on this IFU applies to both versions of the airway devices (LMA Fastrach™ and LMA Fastrach™ Single Use (LMA Fastrach™ SU)).

For detailed instructions on use of LMA Fastrach™, LMA Fastrach™ Single Use and LMA Fastrach™ ETT Single Use, please refer to the respective Instructions For Use.

**DEVICE DESCRIPTION:**

The LMA Fastrach™ Endotracheal Tube (ETT) has been developed specifically for use with the LMA Fastrach™. It is a straight, cuffed tube with a Murphy Eye and a standard 15mm connector.

The LMA Fastrach™ ETT has a pilot balloon with a luer check valve and a unique, soft, moulded tip for atraumatic passage through the vocal cords. As a reference during intubation, the LMA Fastrach™ ETT has depth markers to indicate the distance to the distal tip of the LMA™ airway. The LMA Fastrach™ ETT is radiopaque along its full length and its tip is made out of a radio opaque material to enhance its visibility in x-rays.

The LMA Fastrach™ ETT is a reusable device, made of wire-reinforced silicone. It is not made with natural rubber latex.

Teleflex Medical recommends LMA Fastrach™ ETT (reusable) be used a maximum of 10 times before being discarded. Continued use beyond the maximum number of times is not recommended as degradation of the components may result in impaired performance or abrupt failure of the device. Steam autoclave is the only recommended method for sterilization.

The device is only for use by medical professionals trained in airway management.

**INDICATIONS FOR USE:**

The LMA Fastrach™ ETT is indicated for tracheal intubation through the LMA Fastrach™ or for conventional intubation of the trachea using direct or indirect laryngoscopy.

**CONTRAINDICATIONS:**

The LMA Fastrach™ ETT should not be placed in patients eligible for procedures which involve the use of a laser beam or electrosurgical active electrode in the immediate area of the device.

**ADVERSE EFFECTS:**

There are reported adverse reactions associated with the use of endotracheal tubes. Standard textbooks

and published literature should be consulted for specific information.

**WARNINGS:**

1. Do not use a device if it is damaged.
2. Do not immerse or soak the device in liquid prior to use.
3. Do not cut the LMA Fastrach™ ETT.
4. If a malleable stylet is used in the LMA Fastrach™ ETT during intubation, ensure that it does not protrude from the patient end or Murphy Eye of the tube.
5. Do not overinflate the cuff of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT as this can result in rupture and subsequent deflation, or cuff distortion, which may lead to airway blockage and/or patient injury.
6. Deflate LMA Fastrach™ ETT cuff prior to repositioning LMA Fastrach™ ETT. Movement of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT with the cuff inflated could result in patient injury or cuff damage.
7. Displacement of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT (esophageal intubation, accidental extubation) may occur if the LMA Fastrach™ removal procedure is not performed correctly. In these cases a correctly deflated LMA Fastrach™ should be re-inserted without delay to ensure patient oxygenation.
8. To avoid trauma, excessive force should not be used at any time when using the device.
9. Ensure that the patient is anaesthetised, paralysed and pre-oxygenated. Inadequate anaesthesia depth and/or muscle paralysis may cause the glottis to close, preventing entry of the ETT into the larynx.
10. It is most important that pre-use checks are carried out on LMA Fastrach™ ETT prior to use, in order to establish whether it is safe for use. Failure of any one test indicates the device should not be used.
11. When applying lubricant avoid blockage of the airway aperture with the lubricant.
12. A water soluble lubricant, such as K-Y Jelly, should be used. Do not use silicone-based lubricants as they degrade the LMA Fastrach™ ETT components. Lubricants containing Lidocaine are not recommended for use with the device. Lidocaine can delay the return of the patient’s protective reflexes expected prior to removal of the device, may possibly provoke an allergic reaction, or may affect the surrounding structures, including the vocal cords.
13. Do not use germicides, disinfectants, or chemical agents such as glutaraldehyde (e.g. Cidex), ethylene oxide, phenol-based cleaners or iodine-containing cleaners to clean or sterilize the LMA Fastrach™ ETT. Such substances are absorbed by the device materials, resulting in exposure of the patient to unnecessary risk and possible deterioration of the device. Do not use a device that has been exposed to any of these substances.
14. Failure to properly clean, rinse and dry a device may result in retention of potentially hazardous residues or inadequate sterilization.
15. Gently fit the connector into the LMA Fastrach™ ETT prior to applying lubricant to the distal end of the tube. Excessive amounts of lubricant may cause partial or full blockage of the lumen and airway which may cause a risk of aspiration.
16. Diffusion of nitrous oxide, oxygen, or air may increase or decrease cuff volume and pressure. In order to ensure that cuff pressures do not become excessive, cuff pressure should be measured regularly during a case with a cuff pressure monitor.
17. When using the device in special environmental conditions, such as enriched oxygen, ensure that all necessary preparation and precautions have been taken, especially with regard to fire hazards and prevention. The device may be flammable in the presence of lasers and electrocautery equipment.
18. Refer to MRI information section prior to using the device in MRI environment.

**CAUTIONS:**

1. An unreliable or obstructed airway may result in cases where the device has been incorrectly inserted.
2. Careful handling is essential. Avoid contact with sharp or pointed objects at all times to prevent tearing or perforation of the device.
3. When passing a fiberoptic bronchoscope (FOB), it should not be passed through the LMA Fastrach™ airway aperture unless protected by the LMA Fastrach™ ETT. Otherwise, the FOB tip may be damaged by contact with the epiglottis elevating bar.
4. When selecting seal pressure for the LMA Fastrach™ ETT, an intracuff pressure measuring device should be used in conjunction with the Minimal Occluding Volume, or Minimum Leak techniques. Cuff inflation should be monitored regularly to a “just seal” pressure. Any deviation from the selected seal pressure should be investigated and corrected immediately.
5. Use only ventilators or anaesthesia equipment with standard 15mm connectors to ensure secure connection with the LMA Fastrach™ ETT connector. Always ensure that the connector is securely seated in the breathing circuit to prevent disconnection during use.
6. Three-way stopcocks, or other devices should not be left inserted in the inflation valve for extended periods of time. The resulting stress could crack the valve causing the cuff to deflate.
7. Store the device in a dark cool environment, avoiding direct sunlight or extremes of temperatures.
8. Used device shall follow a handling and elimination process for bio-hazard products, in accordance with all local and national regulations.
9. Ensure all removable denture work is removed before inserting the device.
10. Gloves should be worn during preparation and insertion to minimize contamination of the device.
11. Only use with the recommended manoeuvres described in the instructions for use.

**PREPARATION FOR USE:**

**Choose the correct size of LMA Fastrach™ & LMA Fastrach™ SU**

Patient Weight/Size	
Size 3:	30kg – 50kg children
Size 4:	50kg – 70kg adult
Size 5:	70kg – 100kg adult

**Compatibility of LMA Fastrach™ ETT vs LMA Fastrach™**

Both reusable and single use LMA Fastrach™ ETT are available in a variety of sizes and can be used conventionally as an endotracheal tube.

All sizes (6, 6.5, 7, 7.5 and 8) of reusable LMA Fastrach™ ETT are compatible with both reusable and single use LMA Fastrach™.

However, for LMA Fastrach™ ETT SU, only sizes (6, 6.5 and 7) are compatible with both reusable and single use LMA Fastrach™ as tabulated below:-

Device	Compatible with the below ETT sizes	
LMA Fastrach™ & LMA Fastrach™ SU	LMA Fastrach™ ETT (Reusable)	Size: 6, 6.5, 7, 7.5 & 8
	LMA Fastrach™ ETT SU (Single Use)	Size: Only 6, 6.5 & 7

**Caution:** Clinical judgment should be used in the selection of the appropriate device size for an individual patient.

### **PRE-USE CHECKS:**

**Warning:** It is most important that pre-use checks are carried out on the device prior to use, in order to establish whether it is safe for use.

**Warning:** Failure of any one test indicates the device should not be used.

1. Deflate the cuff completely then fully inflate the valve and cuff to test their integrity. Do not overinflate the cuff.
2. Visually check that the airway tube, cuff and balloon are free of debris and leaks, and are not damaged, kinked, nor occluded. Do not use if the device doesn't inflate symmetrically, shows sign of deterioration/abnormality or if there is a deficiency with the inflation mechanism.
3. Ensure that the connector is attached into the LMA Fastrach™ ETT.

### **PRE-INSERTION PREPARATION:**

**Warning:** Gently fit the connector into the LMA Fastrach™ ETT prior to applying lubricant to the distal end of the tube. Excessive amounts of lubricant may cause partial or full blockage of the lumen and airway which may cause a risk of aspiration.

**Warning:** A water-soluble lubricant, such as K-Y Jelly®, should be used. Do not use silicone-based lubricants as they degrade LMA Fastrach™ ETT components. Lubricants containing Lidocaine are not recommended for use with the device. Lidocaine can delay the return of the patient's protective reflexes expected prior to removal of the device, may possibly provoke an allergic reaction, or may affect the surrounding structures, including the vocal cords.

**Caution:** Ensure all removable denture work is removed before inserting the device.

### **INTUBATION:**

Below describes various methods of intubation using LMA Fastrach™ ETT with and without an assisting device. It is recommended to use LMA Fastrach™ with LMA Fastrach™ ETT for optimal intubation. Teleflex Medical will not be liable for use of an inappropriate ETT.

**Caution:** If LMA Fastrach™ is used, ensure it is properly positioned before attempting intubation.

**Warning:** Ensure that the patient is anaesthetised, paralysed and pre-oxygenated. **Inadequate anaesthesia depth and/or muscle paralysis may cause the glottis to close, preventing entry of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT into the larynx.**

### **TRACHEAL INTUBATION WITH THE LMA FASTRACH™:**

1. After checking the cuff seal, deflate the LMA Fastrach™ ETT cuff completely before the insertion of LMA Fastrach™ ETT into the airway tube of LMA Fastrach™.
2. Pass the LMA Fastrach™ ETT into the airway tube of LMA Fastrach™ and distribute the lubricant within the shaft by moving the LMA Fastrach™ ETT up and down until it travels freely through the entire airway tube.

**Warning:** Avoid the LMA Fastrach™ ETT down and up movements with high speed and large amplitude as this manoeuvre could result in cuff damage.

3. Position the longitudinal line of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT to face the handle of LMA Fastrach™. Gently insert the LMA Fastrach™ ETT into the device airway tube. The LMA Fastrach™ ETT should not pass beyond the 15 cm transverse depth marker. Ensure that **the tip of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT does not enter the mask aperture (Fig. 1).**

4. Grip the handle firmly and lift the device using the handle to draw the larynx forward by a few millimeters to increase seal pressure and optimize alignment of the trachea and LMA Fastrach™ ETT axes (Fig. 2).

5. Slide the LMA Fastrach™ ETT gently into the LMA Fastrach™ another 1.5cm past the 15cm mark. If no resistance is felt, continue to advance the LMA Fastrach™ ETT while holding the device steady until intubation is accomplished.

6. Inflate the cuff of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT.

7. Confirm intubation by conventional means (e.g. end tidal CO<sub>2</sub>).



Figure 1



Figure 2

### **INTUBATION WITH LMA FASTRACH™ AND WITH FIBROPTIC BRONCHOSCOPE (FOB) ASSISTANCE:**

1. Pass a self-sealing connector with a suitable side-arm through the LMA Fastrach™ ETT to permit continued ventilation.

2. Select an FOB of an appropriate diameter and length to pass within the LMA Fastrach™ ETT. When fully inserted, the FOB should not protrude through the end of the assembled LMA Fastrach™ ETT and sealing port. It should also not pass beyond the EEB of LMA Fastrach™ unless protected by the LMA Fastrach™ ETT. Otherwise its tip may be deviated or damaged by the EEB.

3. Insert the LMA Fastrach™ ETT up to 15cm depth, verify with the FOB that the LMA Fastrach™ ETT tip contacts the EEB of the device.

4. At 16.5cm depth, verify with the FOB that the LMA Fastrach™ ETT lifts the EEB showing the glottis.

5. Advance the LMA Fastrach™ ETT into the trachea; avoid pushing on the EEB with the FOB.

6. Inflate the cuff of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT.

### **CONVENTIONAL TRACHEAL INTUBATION WITH LMA FASTRACH™ ETT UNDER DIRECT OR INDIRECT LARYNGOSCOPY:**

LMA Fastrach™ ETT is designed to be used conventionally as an endotracheal tube.

**Warning:** Always use an aseptic technique.

1. Intubate using currently accepted medical techniques. A lubricated malleable intubation stylet may need to be used due to the flexibility of the airway tube of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT.

2. Inflate the cuff with the minimum amount of gas mixture to provide an effective seal at the desired

lung inflation pressure. Using Minimal Occluding Volume and Minimum Leak Techniques along with routine monitoring of intracuff pressure may reduce the occurrence of many adverse reactions associated with the use of cuffed endotracheal tubes.

3. Remove the luer-tip syringe from the valve.

4. Check LMA Fastrach™ ETT placement by confirming breathing sounds and monitoring end-tidal CO<sub>2</sub>.

5. Connect LMA Fastrach™ ETT to the anaesthesia or ventilator circuit.

6. Securely anchor the LMA Fastrach™ ETT using a bite block to avoid unnecessary movement or damage.

7. Monitor cuff pressure regularly.

### **REMOVAL OF THE LMA FASTRACH™ AFTER TRACHEAL INTUBATION:**

**Warning:** There are reports of pharyngeal oedema and increased mucosal pressure attributed to the rigidity of the airway tube. It is recommended to remove LMA Fastrach™ once intubation has been accomplished. High pressures may develop against the pharyngeal wall if the head or neck is moved from the neutral position, due to the rigidity of the curved airway tube. The risk of maintaining in place the LMA Fastrach™ must be weighed against the potential risks associated with the manoeuvre of removal of the device.

**Warning:** If the LMA Fastrach™ is retained in the patient after intubation, the cuff should be deflated to 20-30 cm H<sub>2</sub>O pressure. This low cuff pressure stabilizes the airway in the pharynx. Avoid unnecessary movement of the device and maintain head or neck in a neutral position.

**Warning:** Displacement of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT (oesophageal intubation, accidental extubation) may occur if the LMA Fastrach™ removal procedure is not performed correctly. In these cases a correctly deflated LMA Fastrach™ should be reinserted without delay to ensure patient oxygenation.

1. Using the LMA™ Stabiliser Rod, measure the approximate distance between the proximal end of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT and the patient's teeth.

2. Following pre-oxygenation of the patient, disconnect the circuit leaving the LMA Fastrach™ ETT connector attached. Fully deflate the LMA Fastrach™ cuff, making sure the LMA Fastrach™ ETT cuff remains inflated.

3. Gently tap or swing the device handle caudally around the chin. Using the curvature of the airway tube, slide the device out of the pharynx into the oral cavity, applying counter pressure to the LMA Fastrach™ ETT with the finger (Fig. 3).

4. When the proximal end of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT is level with the proximal end of the airway tube, remove the LMA Fastrach™ ETT connector and insert the Stabiliser Rod to keep the LMA Fastrach™ ETT in place. Holding the Stabiliser Rod, slide out the LMA Fastrach™ over the LMA Fastrach™ ETT and LMA™ Stabiliser Rod until it is clear of the mouth. (Fig. 4)

5. Remove the LMA™ Stabiliser Rod when the LMA Fastrach™ cuff is clear of the mouth while holding the LMA Fastrach™ ETT in place to prevent accidental dislodgment (Fig. 5). Grasp the LMA Fastrach™ ETT firmly while gently unthreading the inflation line and pilot balloon from the LMA Fastrach™ tube (Fig. 6).

**Caution:** Failure to remove the LMA™ Stabiliser Rod from airway tube before completely removing the LMA Fastrach™ may result in the LMA Fastrach™ ETT being accidentally pulled out or the pilot balloon or inflation line tubing being damaged.

6. Using the LMA™ Stabiliser Rod, check the position of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT by measuring the distance of the proximal end from the teeth. If, during removal of the LMA Fastrach™, any displacement of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT has occurred, an appropriate adjustment will need to be made.

7. Replace the LMA Fastrach™ ETT connector and ventilate the patient.

**Caution:** Verify correct tube placement and patient oxygenation immediately after LMA Fastrach™ removal, or if the patient's position is altered after intubation.

8. LMA Fastrach™ ETT should be securely anchored using a bite-block to avoid unnecessary movement or damage.

In elective cases, after removal, LMA Fastrach™ may be re-inserted behind the LMA Fastrach™ ETT to provide an immediate airway if deep extubation is planned or extubation is clinically determined to be hazardous.



Figure 3



Figure 4



Figure 5



Figure 6

## REMOVAL OF THE LMA FASTRACH™

### ETT:

Clinical judgment should be used to determine how long LMA Fastrach™ ETT is to remain in the patient.

1. Immediately prior to extubation or repositioning of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT, completely deflate the cuff using a syringe.
2. Extubate using currently accepted medical techniques.

### CLEANING:

Thoroughly wash the cuff and airway tube in warm water using a dilute (8-10% v/v) sodium bicarbonate solution until all visible foreign matter is removed.

Mild detergents or enzymatic cleaning agents may be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and at the proper dilution. The detergent must not contain skin or mucous membrane irritants. A specific cleaner found to be compatible with LMA™ airway use is Endozime® (Ruhof, Valley Stream, NY).

**Warning:** Do not use germicides, disinfectants, or chemical agents such as glutaraldehyde (e.g. Cidex®), ethylene oxide, phenol-based cleaners, iodine-containing cleaners or quaternary ammonium compounds to clean or sterilise LMA Fastrach™ ETT. Such substances are absorbed by the device materials, resulting in exposure of the patient to unnecessary risk and possible deterioration of the device. Do not use a device that has been exposed to any of these substances.

**Caution:** Do not expose the valve (the white plastic piece protruding from the inflation balloon) to any cleaning solution as it may cause premature valve failure.

If the inner valve is exposed to a cleaning solution, rinse thoroughly under warm flowing tap water,

remove excess moisture, and allow it to dry. If moisture is noticed in the valve, tap against a towel to remove excess moisture.

Thoroughly rinse the device in warm flowing tap water to remove cleaning residues. Carefully inspect the device to ensure that all visible foreign matter has been removed.

Repeat the above as necessary.

**Warning:** Failure to properly clean, rinse and dry a device may result in retention of potentially hazardous residues or inadequate sterilization.

### STERILISATION:

Immediately prior to steam autoclaving, deflate the cuff completely. Ensure both the syringe (used to deflate the cuff) and the valve are dry.

**Caution:** Any air or moisture left in the cuff will expand at the high temperatures and low pressures of the autoclave, causing irreparable damage (herniation and/or rupture) to the cuff and/or inflation balloon.

To avoid damage to the valve, do not use excessive force when inserting the syringe into the valve port. Remove the syringe from the valve port after deflation.

If a deflated mask immediately and spontaneously reinflates after the syringe has been removed, do not autoclave or re-use the mask. This indicates the presence of a defective device. It is normal, however, for the device to re-inflate slowly over a period of several hours as the silicone rubber material is permeable to gas.

Steam autoclave the device following the recommendations of the institution or the autoclave manufacturer. All steam autoclave cycles typically used for porous items are acceptable for sterilization of the LMA™ airway, provided that the maximum autoclave temperature does not exceed 137°C or 278.6°F. One steam sterilization cycle that is suitable for reusable device is to expose the device to steam at 134°C with a hold time of at least 10 minutes.

**Caution:** The integrity of the reusable LMA™ airway materials may be adversely affected by exceeding sterilization temperatures of 137°C or 278.6°F.

Autoclaves vary in design and performance characteristics. Cycle parameters should therefore always be verified against the autoclave manufacturer's written instructions for the specific autoclave and load configuration being used. Healthcare personnel are responsible for adhering to the appropriate sterilization processes which have been specified. Failure to do so may invalidate the sterilization process of the healthcare facility. After autoclaving, allow the device to cool to room temperature before use.

### USE WITH MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI):



The LMA Fastrach™ ETT is MR Conditional. Non-clinical testing demonstrated that this product is MR Conditional. A patient with this device can be scanned safely, immediately after placement under the following conditions:

- Before the patient enters the MRI system room, the airway must be fixed properly in place with

adhesive tape, cloth tape or other appropriate means to prevent movement or dislodgement.

- Static magnetic field of 3-Tesla or less
- Maximum spatial gradient magnetic field of 720 gauss/cm (7.2T/m) or less
- Maximum MR system reported, whole body averaged specific absorption rate (SAR) of 4-W/kg (First Level Controlled Operating Mode of operation for the MRI system) for 15 min. of scanning (per pulse sequence).

### MRI-Related Heating

Under the scan conditions defined above, LMA Fastrach™ ETT is expected to produce a maximum temperature rise of 2.3°C after 15 minutes of continuous scanning.

### Artifact Information

The maximum artifact size as seen on a gradient echo pulse sequence and a 3-Tesla MRI system extends approximately 50mm relative to the size and shape of the LMA Fastrach™ ETT, Size 8.

### SYMBOL DEFINITION:

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	Consult IFU on this website: <a href="http://www.LMACO.com">www.LMACO.com</a>
	Air inflation volume
	Patient weight
	Read Instructions before use
	Not made with natural rubber latex
	Fragile, handle with care
	Keep away from sunlight
	Keep dry
	This way up
	Product Code
	Lot Number
	CE Mark
	Serial Number
	Do not re-use more than 10 times
	Non-sterile
	MR Conditional

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**Manufacturer's Warranty:**

The LMA Fastrach™ ETT is reusable and warranted against manufacturing defects for ten (10) uses or a period of one (1) year from date of purchase (whichever is the earlier), subject to certain conditions. The completed record card must accompany any product returned for evaluation.

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