This Operator’s Manual is designed for use with the Thermablate EAS Endometrial Ablation System

Read all directions, cautions, and warnings prior to use.
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1. Device Description

The Thermablate EAS system is a software-controlled device designed to ablate uterine tissue with thermal energy.
The Thermablate EAS system includes the following components:

1.1 Treatment Control Unit (TCU)

This handheld unit, weighing approximately 830g, controls the treatment settings (time, pressure, and temperature) through a computerized system that operates the electromechanical heating and pumping/draining subsystems of the Thermablate EAS device. The TCU has an LCD that provides pertinent information to the user: warm-up cycle, leak checks, treatment cycle, and completion of treatment are all clearly indicated. The TCU (REF. No. 22001) is reusable, requiring only cleaning between uses over its working lifetime. The TCU is not user serviceable, see Section 5 for details.

1.2 Disposable Cartridge

The catheter-balloon Disposable Cartridge (REF. No. 21004) is the actual treatment component of the Thermablate EAS device. Its pre-shaped silicone balloon directly contacts the endometrial tissue to perform thermal ablation. The Disposable Cartridge is a SINGLE-USE device. It is designed for use with the Thermablate EAS TCU only.
1.3 Power Supply

The Power Supply (REF. No. 23001) converts 120-220VAC to 24VDC for the TCU. It is supplied with a hospital-grade power cord.

1.4 TCU Stand

The Stand (REF. No. 24001) provided with the Thermablate EAS device is a stable support that holds the TCU in the horizontal position during the warm-up cycle of the system. It also offers a sanitary rest when the unit is not in use.
1.5 Carrying Case

Figure 5. Thermablate EAS Carrying Case (REF. No. 25001)

The Thermablate EAS TCU Kit is supplied in a Carrying Case (REF. No. 25001) to facilitate its transportation, handling, and storage. This TCU Kit (REF. No. 22101) comprises the TCU, its Power Supply, Stand, and Carrying Case.
2. PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION

The ablating heat source of the Thermablate EAS system is the treatment liquid, which is supplied inside the diaphragm of the Disposable Cartridge. This diaphragm, surrounded by an aluminum shield, is inserted into the heating chamber of the TCU. Once the treatment liquid is heated up to approximately 173°C, the balloon is inserted into the uterine cavity. The physician formally initiates the ablation treatment by holding the treatment button. Using a controlled pneumatic pressure with set point of approximately 220 mmHg, the treatment liquid is forced into the balloon. The treatment liquid cools as it travels through the catheter and into the balloon to approximately 150°C. Temperatures at the endometrial lining in uterine models are approximately 100°C.

During treatment, the TCU performs a series of pressurization and depressurization cycles to homogenize the temperature of the liquid in the balloon. This ensures a uniform endometrial remodelling throughout most of the uterine lining. The total treatment takes less than 3 minutes to complete, a nominal 4-5 mm treatment depth is achieved.
3. SAFETY INFORMATION

3.1 INDICATIONS for USE

The Thermablate EAS System is a thermal ablation device intended to ablate the endometrial lining of the uterus in women suffering from excessive uterine bleeding due to benign causes for whom childbearing is complete.

3.2 PATIENT SELECTION

Excessive uterine bleeding can be caused by a variety of underlying problems including but not limited to endometrial cancer, myomas, polyps, and drugs. Patients should always be evaluated to determine if there are underlying causes of their excessive uterine bleeding before any treatment option is initiated.

The patient selection criteria are:
- Documented diagnosis of excessive uterine bleeding with no underlying causes
- Completed childbearing
- Pre-menopausal
- Normal uterine cavity with sounding between 8 cm and 12 cm, inclusive
- Normal Pap Smear and endometrial biopsy
- Does not present any of the contraindications below.

3.3 CONTRAINDICATIONS

The device is contraindicated for use in:
- A patient with a uterine sounding less than 8 cm or in excess of 12 cm (external os to fundus)
- A patient with active pelvic inflammatory disease
- A patient with known or suspected endometrial carcinoma (uterine cancer) or premalignant change of the endometrium, such as unresolved complex (adenomatous) hyperplasia
- A patient with history of pelvic malignancy within the past 5 years
- A patient with submucous / intramural myomas greater than 3.0 cm such that the uterine cavity is significantly distorted
- A patient with intracavitary lesions (Type 0 or 1 myoma or polyps of any size) as documented by hysteroscopy, contrast infusion sonohysterogram (CIS), or MRI performed in the last 6 months. Ablation can be performed if polyp is removed prior to procedure.
• A patient with a septate uterus
• A patient with any anatomic or pathologic condition in which weakness of the myometrium could exist, such as history of previous classical caesarean sections or transmural myomectomy
• A patient with lower uterine segment Cesarian section scar that has a linear scar thickness of less than 1 cm
• A patient who is pregnant or who wants to become pregnant in the future
• A patient with active genital or urinary tract infection at the time of procedure (e.g. cervicitis, vaginitis, endometritis, salpingitis, or cystitis)
• A patient with an IUD (Intra-Uterine Device) currently in place
• A patient less than 6 months post-partum.

3.4 WARNINGS

Only medical professionals who have experience in performing procedures within the uterine cavity, such as IUD insertions or dilation and curettage, and adequate familiarity with the Thermablate EAS system, should perform endometrial ablation using this device.

Read all directions, cautions, and warnings prior to use. This manual provides directions for using the Thermablate EAS system. Failure to follow any instructions or to heed any warnings or precautions could result in serious injury to the patient and/or the user.

This device is intended for use only in women who do not desire to bear children because the likelihood of pregnancy is significantly decreased following this procedure.

Endometrial ablation using the Thermablate EAS system is not a sterilization procedure. Pregnancies after ablation can be dangerous for both mother and fetus.

Endometrial ablation procedures do not eliminate the potential for endometrial hyperplasia or adenocarcinoma of the endometrium, and may diminish the physician’s ability to detect or make a diagnosis of such pathology.

The Thermablate EAS Disposable Cartridge is for SINGLE-USE only – do not reuse, or re-sterilize.
Use caution not to perforate the uterine wall during dilation, sounding, or curettage (if performed). If a perforation is suspected, a hysteroscopy must be performed. Do not initiate the procedure immediately if perforation is confirmed.

If you suspect that the treatment liquid is leaking from the balloon during treatment, turn the “POWER SWITCH” to the “OFF” position and then to the “ON” position again, which will cause the TCU to apply a vacuum to withdraw any remaining liquid from the balloon. Withdraw the balloon from the patient only when the LCD of TCU indicates to do so. Place a gauze sponge into the vagina to absorb any liquid that may have collected there, and remove the sponge. Evaluate the patient for evidence of thermal injury to cervix, vagina and perineum. Instruct the patient regarding signs or symptoms of thermal injury to bowel or bladder.

The Thermablate EAS TCU, Disposable Cartridge, Power Supply, and TCU Stand are designed as a system. To ensure proper function, never use other components with the Thermablate EAS device.

After each use, follow the TCU cleaning procedure thoroughly.

REPEAT BALLOON ABLATIONS ARE CONTRAINDICATED

As the endometrial cavity following any kind of endometrial ablation is most likely distorted, repeat ablation should not be attempted with Thermablate EAS. Patients requiring further treatment after thermal balloon ablation should be treated medically, by resectoscopic endometrial ablation, or by hysterectomy. Repeat resectoscopic ablation / resection. Repeat resectoscopic ablation / resection should be attempted only by experienced hysteroscopists since the complications may be severe.

3.5 POTENTIAL ADVERSE EVENTS

The following adverse events are potentially associated with endometrial ablation:

- Pelvic cramping
- Nausea and vomiting
- Perforation of the uterus
- Rupture of the uterus
- Thermal injury to adjacent tissue/organs
- Heated liquid escaping into the cervix, vagina, or fallopian tubes
- Infection
- Post-ablation tubal sterilization syndrome (PATSS)
- Haematometra.
3.6 PATIENT COUNSELLING

As with any procedure, the physician needs to discuss the risks, benefits, and alternatives with the patient prior to performing endometrial ablation.

The device is intended for use in women who do not desire to bear children because the likelihood of pregnancy is significantly decreased following this procedure. Patients of childbearing capability should be counselled that endometrial ablation is not a sterilization procedure and should be provided with an appropriate birth control method. These patients should be cautioned of the potential complications that may ensue if they should become pregnant.

Vaginal discharge is typically experienced during the first few days following ablation and may last as long as a few weeks. Generally, the discharge is described as: bloody during the first few days; serosanguineous by approximately one week; then profuse and watery thereafter. Excessive pain, heavy bleeding, foul smelling discharge or fever should be reported to the physician.

3.7 PREPARATION OF PATIENT

Appropriate sterile technique should be used to prepare the patient for procedure. Upon discretion of the physician, thinning of the endometrium can be performed either with hormonal agents administered prior to treatment, by timing the treatment to the early proliferative phase of the menstrual cycle, or by curettage performed immediately prior to the procedure. It is recommended that a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) be given at least one hour prior to the procedure. Antibiotics can be prescribed as per the physician’s practice.

Anaesthesia may include a paracervical or intracervical block, intravenous sedation, or light general anaesthesia at the physician’s discretion.

3.8 RECOMMENDED PRE-TREATMENT OF ENDOMETRIUM

- Oral Contraceptives (Recommended for minimum 24 days until day of treatment)
- NuvaRing ®
- Timing of the menstrual Cycle
- Suction Curettage (if necessary)
- GnRH analogues minimum four weeks recommended only for patients with a uterine sounding ≥ 10 cm
4. DIRECTIONS FOR USE

4.1 SET-UP

1. Check that the following items are present with the Thermablate EAS device:
   - One (1) Sterile Disposable (Single-Use) Cartridge
   - One (1) Treatment Control Unit (TCU)
   - One (1) Universal-Input Power Supply
   - One (1) Power Cord (to match local AC power receptacles)
   - One (1) TCU Stand.

2. Place TCU in Stand.

3. Ensure the “POWER SWITCH” is in the “OFF” position.

4. Connect the Power Supply to TCU. Plug the Power Cord into both the Power Supply and the wall power outlet. Ensure that all connections are firmly connected.

4.2 OPENING AND INSTALLING THE THERMABLATE EAS STERILE DISPOSABLE CARTRIDGE

1. The Disposable Cartridge is inside a sterile bag (Pouch made of clear film and Tyvek webs). ONLY THE CONTENTS OF THE STERILE BAG ARE SUPPLIED IN A STERILE STATE. The sterile bag is inside a tube with lids. The tube is inside a foil vacuum bag designed to be peeled open. The foil bag is inside a cardboard box.

2. Check expiry date. DO NOT USE the Disposable Cartridge if it has expired.

3. Open cardboard box.

4. Remove foil vacuum bag from cardboard box.

5. Ensure vacuum is intact. If it is not, DO NOT USE the Disposable Cartridge. Get another Disposable Cartridge instead.

6. Peel open foil vacuum bag.

7. Remove tube from the foil vacuum bag.

8. Remove the lid with “OPEN AT THIS END” label attached from the tube.
9. Remove sterile bag. DO NOT USE the Disposable Cartridge if the sterile bag is open or damaged. Peel open sterile bag to remove cartridge using standard aseptic technique.

10. Install Disposable Cartridge in the TCU, by lining up the 2 pins on the cartridge with the 2 slots in the TCU, and rotating it clockwise, as shown in the figure below. Ensure that “This Side Up” and the guidance markings are visible on the top side of the catheter. Leave the plastic balloon cover on.

![Figure 6. Installation of Disposable Cartridge](image)

4.3 WARM-UP

1. Turn the “POWER SWITCH” to the “ON” position; the LCD will show the following message:

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WELCOME TO THERMABLATE
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Both LED’s should be OFF (see below right-bottom corner of LCD).

(If the number of treatments remaining before servicing is less than 50, the TCU will issue a beeping sound and the LCD will show the following message for 10 seconds:

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X TREATMENT(S) BEFORE SERVICING
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where “X” is number of remaining uses of the TCU.)
2. The unit automatically performs a self-test, and, if no technical problems are encountered, the initial message is replaced by the following message:

![Device OK](image)

(If the TCU encounters a technical problem, an error number will be displayed on the LCD. Please refer to page 24, “7. ERROR MESSAGES AND TROUBLESHOOTING”.)

3. The following message is then displayed:

![HEATING – Wait… Fluid Temp XXX °C](image)

where “XXX” is the measured temperature of the treatment liquid.

The “Heating” LED will turn ON, indicating that the pre-heating of the treatment liquid has begun. The “Ready” LED should be OFF.

Before entering the “READY FOR TREATMENT” state the TCU performs a leak test. If this test is not passed (“ERROR # 19 on LCD), turn the “POWER SWITCH” to the “OFF” position, and verify that:

1. The Disposable Cartridge has been installed properly into the TCU, and

2. No fluid is leaking out from the Disposable Cartridge, particularly from the balloon.

In case of a leaking Disposable Cartridge that has not spilled treatment fluid into the TCU, replace it with a new one. USE EXTRA CAUTION, AS THE METALLIC PART OF THE DISPOSABLE CARTRIDGE MAY BE VERY HOT.

Turn the "POWER SWITCH” back to the “ON” position. Wait until the TCU reaches the “READY FOR TREATMENT” state.

If treatment liquid leaked into the TCU, it will need to be repaired.
4.4 PATIENT PREPARATION

1. Provide patient with adequate analgesia.
2. During and/or prior to the warm up of the treatment fluid, patient preparation may be performed. Appropriate sterile technique for vaginal/cervical preparation should be used.

4.5 TREATMENT

After approximately 8 to 12 minutes, the LCD will show “READY FOR TREATMENT” (see below) and the TCU will beep, indicating that the liquid has been heated up to treatment temperature (approximately 173°C) and the treatment procedure can be initiated. The “Heating” LED turns OFF and the “Ready” LED turns ON. The LCD Display reads:

**READY FOR TREATMENT**

**NOTICE**

If the system is left unused, the treatment temperature will be maintained for 35 minutes. After this period, the system will automatically turn OFF. To reinitiate Warm-Up, turn the “POWER SWITCH” to the “OFF” position, and ON again to restart the process.

The Disposable Cartridge must not be used if it has been heated up and cooled down more than twice or exposed to ambient air for more than 2 hours.

**WARNING**

**IF THE BALLOON IS NOT COMPLETELY DEFLATED AND LIQUID AND / OR GAS IS SEEN IN BALLOON DURING “READY FOR TREATMENT” STATE, DO NOT PROCEED WITH THE TREATMENT.** Instead, turn “POWER SWITCH” to the “OFF” position, substitute the Disposable Cartridge, and restart the process.

**WARNING**

**IF THE BALLOON COVER CANNOT BE EASILY REMOVED FROM THE BALLOON, DUE TO PRESSURE IN THE BALLOON, DO NOT DETACH CARTRIDGE FROM TCU.** Instead, turn the “POWER SWITCH” to the “OFF” position and cool down both TCU and Cartridge together until Balloon Cover can be easily removed. Remove Cartridge carefully from TCU, verify no fluid leaking out to the TCU, substitute Disposable Cartridge, and restart the process.
CAUTION

Patients with either acutely anteverted or retroverted uterus, or a fixed uterus (e.g. due to significant endometriosis or adhesions), or those that have had previous uterine surgery are at a higher risk. Particular attention should be paid to the angulation of the uterine sound, cervical dilator and Thermablate catheter during insertion.

1. Conduct pelvic examination to confirm position of the uterus.

2. Insert Speculum.

3. Apply tenaculum.

4. Measure sounding length of uterus from the external os to the fundus using a uterine sound. Confirm that measurement is between eight (8) and twelve (12) cm.

5. Use dilators to gradually dilate the cervix to seven (7) mm. Dilators should pass easily through the cervix with minimal discomfort to the patient. Dilators should not be advanced greater than the predetermined uterine depth.

6. Perform hysteroscopy prior to balloon insertion (recommended) to ensure uterus has not been perforated during dilatation/sounding or curettage (if performed).

Hysteroscopy should reveal both tubal ostia clearly before proceeding with the treatment. If distension of uterus during hysteroscopy cannot be maintained, it is possible that the uterus has been perforated and treatment should not proceed.

Should the hysteroscopy reveal an excessively thick endometrial lining, a gentle curettage of the uterus may be performed. A second hysteroscopy should be performed immediately following curettage to ensure that the curettage has not created a perforation of the uterus.

7. Alternatively, use ultrasound surveillance during the treatment to check for correct balloon position inside the uterine cavity.

8. Slide the balloon cover off the balloon. Do NOT DISPOSE OF BALLOON COVER. Remove the Thermablate EAS system from the TCU Stand.

9. Slowly insert the Thermablate balloon until balloon tip touches the fundus. Tap the tip of catheter gently against the fundus to confirm placement of the catheter within the uterus.
10. Ensure the depth marking on the balloon catheter matches the previously recorded sounding measurement. Should there be a discrepancy of more than 1 cm between the sounding and depth marking on the cartridge, a repeat hysteroscopy should be performed.

11. Activate the treatment cycle by holding the device trigger for 5 seconds. After hearing five (5) short and one (1) long beeping sounds, the treatment will automatically begin. The Finger can be removed from the trigger at this point. The LCD will show the following message:

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Performing
System Check
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Both LED’s will turn OFF.

12. After 15 seconds, if the TCU passes the system check, the actual treatment cycle will start, and the LCD will show the following message:

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TREATING...
Starting...
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Followed shortly after by:

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Pressure: X:YYY
Time Left: Z:ZZ
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where:     
“X” is the sign (+ or -) for positive or negative pressure
“YYY” is the actual pressure value reached during procedure (mmHg)
“Z:ZZ” is the treatment time remaining (min:sec).

**If the system check fails, the TCU will issue an alarm and stop operating. In this case, turn the “POWER SWITCH” to the “OFF” position, remove the Disposable Cartridge from the patient, and verify that:**

1. The Disposable Cartridge has been installed properly into the TCU, and;

2. No fluid is leaking out from the Disposable Cartridge, particularly from the balloon.
In case of a leaking Disposable Cartridge that has not spilled treatment liquid into the TCU, replace with a new one. USE EXTRA CAUTION, AS THE METALLIC PART OF THE DISPOSABLE CARTRIDGE MAY BE VERY HOT.

Turn the “POWER SWITCH” back to the “ON” position and follow the instructions until reaching the system check.

If treatment liquid has leaked into the TCU, it will need to be repaired.

13. As the balloon deploys, it may push the catheter slightly backward (Up to 0.5 cm is normal). Do not push the catheter forward during treatment.

**CAUTION**

At no time during the treatment should the catheter advance beyond the pre-determined sounding length. Should this occur, abort the procedure by turning the power switch off and then on again. Wait for the message: “FINISHED V: XXml Withdraw Balloon” to appear on the LCD screen and slowly remove the Thermablate catheter from the uterus. Perform hysteroscopy to ensure that the uterus has not been perforated.

14. Observe the LCD screen on the TCU as it automatically performs system checks and completes the treatment cycle.

Automatic operation of the System inflates the balloon, controls the pressure, and pulses the treatment liquid, maintaining uniform temperature in the balloon. During this time, the pump is clearly audible. This is not a malfunction – it is part of the normal operation of the unit.

**CAUTION**

**IN THE EVENT OF POWER LOSS DURING TREATMENT**

If the power is lost during treatment, wait for thirty (30) seconds. If, after this 30-second period, the power has not come on again, withdraw the balloon quickly but carefully since some liquid may still be contained in the balloon. Turn the “POWER SWITCH” to the “OFF” position, and then go to Section “Post-Treatment” below.

If the power has come on again within this 30-second period, **DO NOT WITHDRAW THE BALLOON**. The TCU will automatically recognize that the “previous” treatment did not finish correctly and will proceed to actively withdraw the liquid from the balloon. **REMOVE THE BALLOON FROM THE UTERUS ONLY AFTER THE “FINISHED V: XX ml Withdraw Balloon” MESSAGE APPEARS ON THE LCD SCREEN.**
INTERUPTION / TERMINATION OF TREATMENT

IF INTERRUPTION/TERMINATION OF TREATMENT IS REQUIRED OR IF LIQUID IS NOTED LEAKING THROUGH THE CERVIX, DO NOT IMMEDIATELY REMOVE THE BALLOON FROM THE UTERUS. First, turn off the power to TCU. Then proceed to turn the TCU on. In doing so, the TCU will automatically recognize that the “previous” treatment did not finish correctly. The TCU will proceed to actively withdraw the liquid from the balloon.

REMOVE THE BALLOON FROM THE UTERUS ONLY AFTER “FINISHED V: XX ml Withdraw Balloon” MESSAGE APPEARS ON the LCD screen.
**WARNING**

If the TCU encounters a technical problem during the procedure, it will issue a “TREATMENT FAILED” message. **REMOVE THE BALLOON FROM THE UTERUS ONLY AFTER THE “FINISHED V: XX ml Withdraw Balloon” MESSAGE APPEARS ON THE LCD Screen.**

If no problems are encountered, the treatment will proceed as follows.

15. After completion of the treatment cycle, the LCD will show the following message:

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FINISHING…
Do NOT Remove
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**WARNING**

If the TCU encounters a technical problem during the deflation procedure, it will issue a “DEFLATION FAILED” message. **DO NOT REMOVE THE BALLOON FROM THE UTERUS.** Instead, wait until the device withdraws the liquid from the balloon. **REMOVE THE BALLOON FROM THE UTERUS ONLY AFTER THE “FINISHED V: XX ml Withdraw Balloon” MESSAGE APPEARS ON THE LCD screen.**

16. After 10 seconds of deflation time, the LCD will show the following message:

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FINISHED V: XX ml
Withdraw Balloon
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where “XX” is the estimated uterus volume.

This message indicates that the treatment is complete and that the balloon can be withdrawn. Withdraw the balloon carefully from the uterus. **REPLACE BALLOON COVER ON THE BALLOON.**

### 4.6 POST-TREATMENT

1. Place the TCU in the TCU Stand.
2. After 50 seconds, the TCU will beep and its LCD will alternate the 2 following messages, continuously:

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DISCARD USED CARTRIDGE

***WARNING***
*Metal End *HOT*
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3. Turn the “POWER SWITCH” to the “OFF” position.
4. Remove Disposable Cartridge from TCU.
5. Return the Disposable Cartridge into its original tube BALLOON END FIRST (so that the hot metal end of the cartridge will be toward the metal reinforced cap) and cover with the cap. Allow it to cool, and dispose of it in biohazard-labelled containers or per facility policy.

**WARNING**

*The Disposable Cartridge IS HOT and should be removed from the TCU and returned into the tube carefully.*

**WARNING**

*The Disposable Cartridge is a SINGLE-USE component. Do not reuse it as this could result in serious injuries to the patient and/or the user.*

6. Post treatment hysteroscopy is recommended.
7. Repeat balloon ablations are contraindicated.
5. CLEANING, MAINTENANCE, STORAGE AND TRANSPORTATION

5.1 Cleaning

After each use, the TCU must be cleaned according to the following validated infection control procedure.

1. Wipe down the outside of TCU housing with warm water using a soft-bristle brush until no soilage can be seen.

   **CAUTION**
   
   *This unit contains electronic components. Avoid soaking, flushing, or using excess free liquid.*

2. Subsequently, wipe down the outside of the TCU housing with warm water using a clean wipe.

3. Disinfect the outside of the TCU housing with a clean wipe and 50%-IPA/water solution.

5.2 Maintenance

There are no user serviceable parts within the TCU. Opening the device will void the warranty.

5.3 Storage and Transport

1. Store the TCU in the Carrying Case. The storage temperature should never exceed 50°C.

2. Store Disposable Cartridge in dry place at room temperature.

3. For storage and transport environmental conditions, see the label with graphical representations and Technical Specifications table, below.
### 6. TECHNICAL INFORMATION

#### 6.1. Technical Specifications

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6.2. Standards

The Thermablate EAS device complies with:

  Medical Electrical Equipment,
  Part 1, General Requirements for Safety.
  Reference document:
  Equipment, Part 1, General Requirements for Safety.

  Emissions and Immunity Standard.

Note: This device is not intended for use in a residential installation.

The Emissions and Immunity limits are designed to provide reasonable protection
against harmful interference in a typical medical environment installation. The
device generates and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and
used in accordance with these instructions, may cause harmful interference to other
devices in the vicinity. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not
occur in a particular installation. If this device does cause harmful interference
with other devices, which can be determined by turning the device off and on, the
user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following
measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving device.
- Increase the separation between devices.
- Connect the device into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the other
device(s) is (are) connected.
7. ERROR MESSAGES AND TROUBLESHOOTING

During either the warm-up or the treatment cycles, the TCU may issue an error message on the LCD, due to either a malfunction or incorrect use of the device. The following list indicates the types of errors that the unit may issue, and the corresponding corrective actions to be taken:

**WARNING**

*If any of the following errors occur during the treatment cycle, the treatment is considered as failed. It is CONTRAINDIATED TO RE-TREAT a patient with the Thermablate EAS device, as unintended burn may occur. Except as noted.*

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<td>Ambient temperature sensor failure (output shorted to ground)</td>
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<td>Ambient temperature is too high</td>
<td>If the error occurs before starting the treatment cycle:</td>
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<td>• Turn TCU off and wait until room cools down below 40°C or perform the treatment in an A/C-equipped room.</td>
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<td>• Restart the unit and proceed with treatment as indicated.</td>
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<td>Liquid temperature thermocouple failure</td>
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<td>Heater temperature thermocouple failure</td>
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<td>Heater overheated</td>
<td>• Turn TCU off.</td>
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<td>• Wait for 30-40 minutes.</td>
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<td>Negative overpressure</td>
<td>If the error occurs before starting the treatment cycle: Restart the unit. If the error occurs after treatment cycle completion: • DO NOT REMOVE BALLOON FROM PATIENT. Instead, restart TCU. • If the error occurs again, turn the TCU off and withdraw the balloon quickly but carefully since some liquid may still be contained in the balloon. • If the error DOES NOT occur again, wait for the unit to withdraw the liquid from the balloon, and remove the balloon from the patient only when the unit indicates to do so.</td>
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<td>Pump cannot reach test vacuum value</td>
<td>• Turn the unit off. • Ensure the cartridge is properly installed in the TCU, and the O-Ring is in good condition and properly installed. • Restart the unit. • If the problem persists, turn the unit off, replace the cartridge with a new one, and restart the unit.</td>
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<td>ADC channel 8 is not grounded</td>
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<td>Wrong air flow direction during treatment cycles</td>
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<td>Unable to hold vacuum</td>
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<td>Unable to reach vacuum for balloon leak tests</td>
<td>• Turn the unit off. • Ensure the cartridge is properly installed in the TCU, and the O-Ring is in good condition and properly installed. • Restart the unit. • If the problem persists, turn the unit off, replace cartridge with a new one, and restart the unit. NOTE: At the time the second balloon leak test is performed the balloon has already been inserted into the uterus, but actual ablation HAS NOT commenced. It is thus safe to attempt the treatment again.</td>
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<td>Unable to reach and hold vacuum during liquid removal</td>
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<td>First leak test failure</td>
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|   |                           | If the problem persists, turn the unit off, replace cartridge with a new one, and restart the unit. |
|   | Liquid temperature is too high | Turn the unit off.  
|   |                           | CAREFULLY remove cartridge from TCU and allow it to cool down for 30-40 minutes.  
|   |                           | Install cartridge back into TCU.  
|   |                           | Restart the unit and initiate the treatment as soon as the unit displays the “Ready for Treatment” message.  
|   |                           | If the problem persists, turn the unit off, replace cartridge with a new one, and restart again. |
|   | Value read from RAM cell do not match that was stored | The unit requires repairing. |
|   | Data stack overflow | The unit requires repairing. |
8. LIMITED WARRANTY

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