



## **Instructions For Use (IFU)**

## **WARNING:**

MaskMate<sup>™</sup> is intended to improve the fit and comfort of existing earloop and tie-on surgical and procedure face masks. Use of face masks help to protect the user against exposure to certain airborne particles. Misuse of this product may result in sickness and death.

## IMPORTANT:

**MaskMate**<sup>TM</sup> is to be only be used with an approved facemask to improve its fit and comfort. We recommend use with an ASTM-rated face mask. Before use, the wearer must read and understand this Instructions for Use specific to **MaskMate**<sup>TM</sup>.

## **Specific Use Instructions:**

- 1. Failure to follow the Instructions For Use (IFU) can reduce mask effectiveness and may even result in sickness or death.
- 2. User should place approved mask on face according to specific manufacturer instructions.
- 3. **MaskMate**<sup>TM</sup> should be placed over existing approved mask and attached to the head using elastic bands/straps provided and adjusted to maximize fit and comfort.
- 4. **MaskMate**<sup>TM</sup> should be adjusted to fit comfortably over the nose and the bottom proportion should fit comfortably between the lower lip and the chin.
- 5. There are 2 hooks on each side of **MaskMate<sup>TM</sup>**. The elastic strap is attached to the two hooks on one side of **MaskMate<sup>TM</sup>**. The user can hold the MM in place with one hand. With the other hand, the user can pull the elastic strap behind the head and attach the elastic to the hooks on the opposite side.
- 6. The user should confirm that the upper and lower portions of the mask are securely and gently positioned against the mask to maximize contact between the mask and the face. Only engaging one hook on each side may provide inadequate compression against the face.
- 7. Store **MaskMate<sup>TM</sup>** at room temperature and away from contaminated areas or direct heat.
- 8. Whichever mask used with **MaskMate<sup>TM</sup>** should be carefully and thoroughly examined for holes or damage. If any defects in the mask is identified, it should not be used and should be immediately discarded.
- 9. Conduct a user seal check before each use to confirm a proper seal.
- 10. MaskMate<sup>™</sup> can be sterilized in an autoclave up to 20 times.
- 11. MaskMate<sup>TM</sup> is designed for adults and not intended to be used by children.
- 12. MaskMate<sup>™</sup> is designed to improve the comfort and fit of ear loop medical, surgical or procedure masks. It will not increase or improve the filtration quality of the particular filter material of the mask it is paired with. It is designed to maximize the filtration of a face mask by reducing air leaks of unfiltered air.
- 13. Use of **MaskMate<sup>™</sup>** with beards or other conditions that may interfere with creation of a good seal between the mask and the face may limit its effectiveness.

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