


# Medical Device Alert

Ref: MDA/2013/034 Issued: 15 May 2013 at 12:00

Device
<p>RÜSCH Macintosh laryngoscopes. Disposable laryngoscope metal kit, disposable laryngoscope battery handles and reusable laryngoscope handles. Manufactured by M.A. Arain &amp; Brothers (PVT) Ltd. Distributed in the UK by Teleflex (RÜSCH). Specific lot numbers are affected.</p> 

Problem	Action
<p>There is potential for the light to flicker or fail during intubation due to a loose connection between the battery and the battery cap.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify, quarantine and do not use affected devices.</li> <li>• Follow the advice in the M.A. Arain Field Safety Notices for either <b>disposable</b> or <b>reusable</b> products (both dated 15 March 2013).</li> <li>• Contact Teleflex to arrange for devices to be exchanged or to confirm that you have none in stock.</li> </ul>
Action by	
<p>All staff who use these devices</p>	
CAS deadlines	Contact
<p>Action underway: 30 May 2013 Action complete: 14 June 2013</p> <p><b>Note: These deadlines are for systems to be in place to identify and arrange for replacements of affected devices.</b></p>	<p><b>Distributor</b> Hélène Sauvage Teleflex Tel: 0149 453 2761 Email: <a href="mailto:orders.uk@teleflex.com">orders.uk@teleflex.com</a></p>

## Device

Disposable laryngoscope metal kit, catalogue numbers: 670160-0000\*\* and 670190-0000\*\*

Disposable laryngoscope battery handles, catalogue numbers: 670195-0000\*\*

Reusable laryngoscope handles, catalogue numbers: 670067-0000\*\*

\*\* relates to blade size.

The lot numbers of affected products are as follows:

Disposable	Reusable
031511	031511
040811	041511
041511	040811
011012	123011
020712	011012
021512	030812
030812	032112
032112	073012
040412	083112
040912	103112
042712	111512
052912	

Any product without a visible lot number should be treated as an affected product.

## Distribution

This MDA has been sent to:

- HSC trusts in Northern Ireland (chief executives)
- NHS boards and trusts in Wales (chief executives)
- NHS boards in Scotland (equipment co-ordinators)
- NHS England area teams
- NHS England area teams (chief executives)
- NHS England regional teams
- NHS trusts in England (chief executives)

### Onward distribution

Please bring this notice to the attention of relevant employees in your establishment.

Below is a suggested list of recipients.

### Trusts

CAS and SABS (NI) liaison officers for onward distribution to all relevant staff including:

- All clinical departments
- All clinical staff
- All wards
- Ambulance staff
- Anaesthetists
- Clinical governance leads
- Community hospitals
- Directors of Nursing
- Medical directors
- NHS walk-in centres
- Resuscitation officers and trainers

- Risk managers
- Supplies managers
- Theatres

### **NHS England local area teams**

CAS liaison officers for onward distribution to all relevant staff including:

- General dental practitioners
- General practitioners

### **Independent distribution**

#### **Establishments registered with the Care Quality Commission (CQC) (England only)**

This alert should be read by:

- Clinics
- Hospices
- Hospitals in the independent sector
- Independent treatment centres
- Private medical practitioners

Please note: CQC and OFSTED do not distribute these alerts. Independent healthcare providers and social care providers can sign up to receive MDAs directly from the Department of Health's Central Alerting System (CAS) by sending an email to: [safetyalerts@dh.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:safetyalerts@dh.gsi.gov.uk) and requesting this facility.

## **Contacts**

### **Distributor**

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## **England**

If you are in England, please send enquiries about this notice to the MHRA, quoting reference number **MDA/2013/034** or **2013/003/021/291/002**

### **Technical aspects**

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### **Clinical aspects**

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## How to report adverse incidents

Please report via our website <http://www.mhra.gov.uk>

Further information about **CAS** can be found at <https://www.cas.dh.gov.uk/Home.aspx>

## Northern Ireland

Alerts in Northern Ireland will continue to be distributed via the NI SABS system.

Enquiries and adverse incident reports in Northern Ireland should be addressed to:

Northern Ireland Adverse Incident Centre

Health Estates Investment Group, Room 17, Annex 6, Castle Buildings, Stormont Estate,  
Dundonald BT4 3SQ

Tel: 02890 523 704 Fax: 02890 523 900 Email: [NIAIC@dhsspsni.gov.uk](mailto:NIAIC@dhsspsni.gov.uk)

<http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/index/hea/niaic.htm>

## How to report adverse incidents in Northern Ireland

Please report directly to NIAIC, further information can be found on our website <http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/niaic>

Further information about **SABS** can be found at <http://sabs.dhsspsni.gov.uk/>

## Scotland

Enquiries and adverse incident reports in Scotland should be addressed to:

Incident Reporting and Investigation Centre

Health Facilities Scotland, NHS National Services Scotland, Gyle Square, 1 South Gyle Crescent,  
Edinburgh EH12 9EB

Tel: 0131 275 7575 Fax: 0131 314 0722 Email: [nss.irc@nhs.net](mailto:nss.irc@nhs.net)

<http://www.hfs.scot.nhs.uk/online-services/incident-reporting-and-investigation-centre-irc/>

## Wales

Enquiries in Wales should be addressed to:

Improving Patient Safety Team

Medical Directorate, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NQ

Tel: 029 2082 3922 Email: [Haz-Aic@wales.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:Haz-Aic@wales.gsi.gov.uk)

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