

## TECHNICAL LITERATURE

### CARE AND INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR SILICONE COSMETIC GLOVES

**Please pass this leaflet to the user of this glove**

#### CARE

Take care when fitting and using Silicone cosmetic gloves. Silicone is a soft, flexible material susceptible to punctures, cuts and abrasions. The material used will resist most staining media.

#### HIGH DEFINITION NAILS

Silicone gloves have nails painted by hand following the manufacturing process. Bonding to the base material is good. Should delamination occur or if desired polystyrene nails can be purchased in many retail outlets that sell cosmetics. Note that these nails are attached using the Cyanoacrylic glue provided. Attempts to remove nails bonded with this adhesive will permanently damage the glove.

#### CLEANING

General soiling can be removed with soap and water, industrial hand cleaners or 'washing up' liquid. After cleaning remove all traces of the cleaner and wipe the surface dry. Most dyes will be fully removed by this process. A liquid domestic fabric softener can be used in solution to reduce the 'tackiness' of the surface.

#### FITTING A NEW GLOVE

- Firstly consult your prosthetist for advice, particularly with Myo-electric arms.
- Check that you have a suitable replacement glove.
- Remove the damaged glove by cutting along its length using blunt nosed scissors. Be careful not to cut cables or internal cosmesis. It may be necessary to cut digits off individually.
- Remove any internal glove fillers for later use.
- Inspect the prosthesis. If water ingress, corrosion or other damage is evident, contact your prosthetist.
- Wipe the prosthesis clean and dry carefully.
- Warming this type of glove will not alter its properties. It should be fitted at room temperature
- Apply a water based lubricant or talc sparingly over the surface of the hand, particularly the fingers and widest sections,
- If fitting a Myo-electric hand partially close it and remove the battery.
- Slide the glove in place.

**Nail varnish can be applied to Silicone gloves but it is advisable to apply a coat of clear nail strengthener first. It is likely that a good bond will not be obtained as the material is chemically inert and quite flexible. It is better to use artificial nails purchased from a cosmetics retailer. These should be glued in place with the adhesive supplied following the manufacturers instructions.**

**Note:** RSLSteeper can accept no responsibility for damage resulting from the application of inks, varnishes or artificial nails.

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