

RITE₂-167

Use and Care of
Your Hearing Instruments



ACCESSORIES



Storage case



Cleaning tool



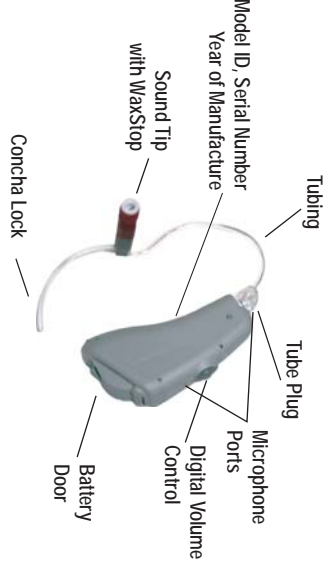
WaxStops

Your hearing instruments are shipped with a variety of accessories, a sampling pictured above, including the following:

- Storage case
- 1 box of batteries per instrument
- Storing/Drying jar
- Program selection wand
- WaxStops
- Cleaning tools

If you have any questions about the use of these accessories please contact your hearing care professional.

Red Sound Tip = Right Aid
Blue Sound Tip = Left Aid



PARTS OF YOUR RITE₂-167

TUBING & BATTERIES



REMOVAL: Grasp the connector firmly. **Do not pull the tubing itself, as it can become stretched and distorted.** Insert finger nails into the finger nail grooves. Pull straight out. **DO NOT TWIST.**

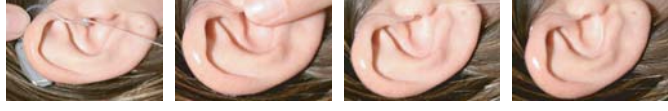
ATTACHMENT: Align the tube plug (tubing facing down) with the opening. Apply gentle pressure until the plug starts into the socket. Push firmly until the plug clicks into place.



To remove, open the battery door and lift the battery out of the battery door.

Low battery indicator: When your battery voltage is low and in need of replacement you will hear the low battery indicator. You will hear five beeps indicating that it is time to change your battery. The warning beeps will be repeated.

A zinc-air type 312 battery is recommended, but any 312 type or brand may be used. To insert, remove the adhesive label and wait thirty seconds for air activation. Any moisture on the battery surface should be wiped off. **With the positive side up**, insert into the battery door. It may take several minutes for the battery to work to its full effect.



Inserting your hearing instruments for the first time can be challenging. Until your hearing aid is fully inserted there can be feedback (whistle). We suggest that you practice without the battery until you have perfected this procedure. With practice, inserting your hearing aids will become as easy as putting on your glasses.

To insert your hearing instrument:

Grasp the hearing aid between your thumb and forefinger.

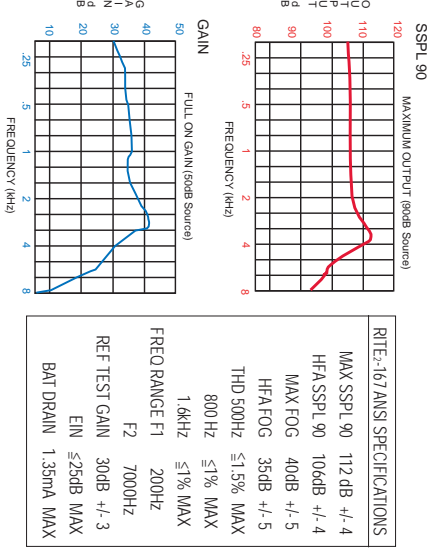
Place it over your ear as shown.

Gently push the ear piece into the ear canal.

Tuck the concha lock into the bowl of your ear.

When positioned correctly your hearing aid is almost completely invisible.

Note: It is important to remove the instrument by grasping the instrument itself. Please do NOT remove the instrument by pulling the tubing, as it can become stretched and distorted and may void the warranty.



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ON/OFF & VOLUME CONTROL



Your instrument is turned on and off by opening and closing the battery compartment. Whenever you turn your hearing aid on it is automatically set to program one.

Hint: Opening the battery door every time you remove your instruments will prolong the life of your hearing aid batteries.



The digital volume control (VC) can be rotated continually up or down. THERE IS NO MECHANICAL STOP. Each time your device is turned on the volume is automatically set to mid volume.

Increase the volume by rotating the control forward and decrease the volume by rotating the control down. You will hear a single beep each time the volume is increased or decreased one step.

No beeps will be heard when the control is rotated beyond the maximum or minimum volume.

Note: If you have to increase or decrease volume each time you turn on your device ask your hearing professional to make a computer adjustment to change the starting volume level.

CLEANING TOOL



Brush wax/debris from sound port daily

Wax buildup is the number one cause of instrument failure. It is important to keep your instruments as clean as possible.

Daily wipe your instruments, tubing, sound port, and tips/molds clean with a soft, dry cloth, carefully removing any traces of wax and debris. A brush is provided to further assist you in cleaning.

After being disconnected from your hearing instrument, your tips/molds can be washed in lukewarm water with a mild detergent. Reconnect after drying thoroughly.



Tip replacement



Custom mold replacement

PROGRAM SELECTION



As you change programs, you will hear a series of beeps, which will represent the change, as listed below.

When you turn your hearing aid on it is automatically set to program one.

Program 1 (General Use): One Beep

Program 2 (Noisier Situations): Two Beeps

Program 3 (Windy Situations): Three Beeps

Program 4 (Not Active): Four Beeps

Use the program wand to change between programs.

To use the wand, touch it to your ear where the hearing aid sits (as shown) and move it away. To change to the next memory, again, bring the wand back up to your ear and move it away.

Warning: Do not place the Program Wand on or near computer equipment, software, discs or credit cards. Information could be lost/destroyed as a result.

WAXSTOP INSTRUCTIONS



Removal Side

New WaxStop Side

Waxstop is inserted in the sound tip to prevent ear wax from damaging the hearing aid speaker.



Waxstop Removal: Firmly press the removal tip into Waxstop until it clicks into place. Pull Waxstop from sound tip.



Waxstop Insertion: Insert new Waxstop into sound tip, pull the tool straight out. The tool will release and the Waxstop will remain in place. Press Waxstop firmly into sound tip making certain that is fully inserted.

Waxstops can be cleaned in hot water with a mild detergent, dried thoroughly and then reused. It is recommended that the Waxstop is changed each time you change your battery.

PROGRAMMING CORD CONNECTION

Shiny Side



Connect Flex Connector and Cord Here



Your hearing aids use a flex connector to connect the programming cord to the hearing instruments.

- Align red dots on the flex connector and programming cable.
- Connect programming cable to the flex connector.
- Open the battery door slightly to create a space on the hinged side of the battery door.
- Insert the flex connector into the space created. The gold (shiny) side of the flex connector must be facing away from the battery compartment. Do not force this connection.
- Close the battery door.

Refer to the QuickStart Guide and/or the Virtual Office Tutor for programming instructions.

STORING/DRYING JAR



We recommend that you store your hearing instruments in the drying kit when the aids are not in use.

Open the battery door of your hearing instruments, place them on top of the circular foam piece,

and firmly secure lid on the jar. Removing batteries before storing will extend battery life.

There is a small amount of blue beads in the jar that are designed to fade and blend in with the other beads when it is time to reactivate. After reactivation these beads will return to their original blue color. Keeping the lid firmly in place at all times will extend the time between reactivation.

Carefully follow the directions on the jar to reactivate the beads. Allow the beads to cool to room temperature before placing them back into the jar.

Never put your hearing instruments, batteries, glass jar, lid or foam in the oven or microwave. Do not place over an open flame.