

# PROTOCOL FOR **TECHNI-CARE®** USE IN TRADITIONAL TATTOO PROCEDURES

## **SHAVING WITH TECHNI-CARE®**

- ⊕ Squirt **TECHNI-CARE®** onto sterile gauze or sterile 4X4. (1 pump is approximately 2.5ml) It is appropriate to use anywhere from 2.5ml - 15ml of **TECHNI-CARE®** for cleaning, shaving & prepping the skin prior to a tattoo procedure. The amount used is subject to increase with the size of the area being shaved.
- ⊕ Fold sterile gauze or sterile 4x4 in half and then open it to evenly distribute **TECHNI-CARE®** across cloth.
- ⊕ Apply **TECHNI-CARE®** in one consistent outward circular motion, beginning in the center of the area being shaved and ending at least 2 inches further out from the area that will be tattooed. There should be a thin visible layer of **TECHNI-CARE®** ON the entire area to be shaved.
- ⊕ Using a single-use disposable razor, begin shaving from the top of the area to be tattooed to the bottom in columns approximately 4-5 inches in length.
- ⊕ Dispose of razor directly into sharps container/do not re-use!
- ⊕ Remove excess hair and **TECHNI-CARE®** from the area starting from the top of the area to the bottom using sterile gauze or sterile 4X4 saturated with a mixture solution of approximately 4-6 pumps (10-15ml) of **TECHNI-CARE®** to 500ml of **distilled water**.
- ⊕ **NOTE:** Be sure to remove all hair with rinse water\* **BEFORE** prepping the skin.

## **SKIN PREPARATION TECHNI-CARE®**

- ⊕ Squirt **TECHNI-CARE®** ONTO sterile gauze or sterile 4X4. (1 pump is approximately 2.5ml) It is appropriate to use anywhere from 2.5ml – 15ml of **TECHNI-CARE®** for prepping the skin. The amount used is subject to increase with the size of the area being prepped.
- ⊕ Fold sterile gauze or sterile 4X4 in half and the open it to evenly distribute **TECHNI-CARE®** across cloth.
- ⊕ Apply **TECHNI-CARE®** in one consistent outward circular motion, beginning in the center of the area being prepped and ending at least 2 inches further out from the area that will be tattooed. Try not to overlap areas while prepping. There should be a thin visible layer of **TECHNI-CARE®** on the entire area being prepped.
- ⊕ Allow **TECHNI-CARE®** to set on the skin for a minimum of 1-2 minutes undisturbed.
- ⊕ Use a fresh piece of sterile gauze or sterile 4X4 to remove excess **TECHNI-CARE®** following the exact same path as when first prepping. Remove **TECHNI-CARE®** using an outward circular motion.

## **APPLICATION OF A STENCIL USING TECHNI-CARE®**

- ⊕ Saturate sterile gauze or 4X4 with **TECHNI-CARE®** and Rinse Water\*.
- ⊕ Apply Rinse Water solution to the area in an outward circular motion.
- ⊕ Let the solution stand on the area for 10-15 seconds undisturbed.
- ⊕ Place the stencil on skin and apply pressure.
- ⊕ Carefully peel back part of stencil to ensure it has transferred completely. If it has not completely transferred, use a **TECHNI-CARE®** and Rinse Water saturated sterile gauze or 4X4 to dampen the outside of stencil where it has not transferred.
- ⊕ Remove stencil slowly.
- ⊕ Let area dry thoroughly before tattooing.

### **\*RINSE WATER**

- ⊕ Mix 4-6 pumps (approximately 2 ounces) of **TECHNI-CARE®** with approximately 16 ounces of **sterile** or **steam distilled water** (16 ounces is the approximate size of an average Nalgene® bottle).
- ⊕ Change Rinse Water every 48 hours.