

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE RETURN ELECTRODE

REF A1255P

## WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

If the patient is repositioned for the surgical procedure, verify that the return electrode remains in proper contact with the skin and the cable remains connected to the electrode. Failure to do so may result in patient burns.

During the surgical procedure, assure that no object obstructs the return electrode site.

If higher than normal power settings are required, a problem may exist. Before increasing the power setting, verify that the return electrode has full contact with patient's skin. Check the cable and connectors and inspect all active accessories.

Do not relocate the return electrode after initial application.

Clean the return electrode with a cleaning solution. (DO NOT AUTOCLAVE.)

Do not cut or modify the plate in any way.

Review and follow any additional instructions, warnings, and precautions in the Operating Instructions for the generator in use.

### Selection and Preparation of Placement Site

1. Select a well-vascularized, muscular, and convex site in proximity to the surgical site. Do not place over scar, inflamed skin, fatty tissue, bony prominences, metal prostheses, ECG electrodes and cables, pacemakers, or where fluids may pool.
2. Shave all hair from the selected site. Dry skin thoroughly.

### Placement of Return Electrode

1. Inspect the cable for visible damage prior to use. Do not use a cable that has cuts, nicks, or missing insulation.
2. Connect the return electrode to the cable by inserting the plastic clamp to the return electrode and clamping down to securely attach to return electrode.
3. Locate return electrode away from any metal objects or metal operating room tables.
4. When using the A1254 use conductive gel to make contact between the patient's skin and the return electrode.

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Read Instructions  
Before Use



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