



## **URGENT FIELD SAFETY NOTICE** **END USERS**

**Commercial name:** Suction Catheters and Gastro-enteral Tubes (see Attachment 1 for commercial name and full details)

**Issue Date:** 19.07.2018

**REF No:** See Attachment 1

**FSCA ID:** 2018-005

**Type of action:** Recall / Product Disposal

**Please note that this action only applies to specific product codes and does not affect all product codes of Suction Catheters and Gastro-enteral Tubes.**

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### **Description of the problem:**

ConvaTec has voluntarily initiated a recall of specific product codes of Suction Catheters and Gastro-enteral Tubes.

Internal assessment of this product's packaging integrity has confirmed that these devices are not meeting our expectations or those of our customers. Transportation testing conducted on the product packaging failed confirming the potential for a breach in the sterile barrier. Using a non-sterile device on patient may expose the patient to infectious agents increasing the patient risk of developing infection. ConvaTec has not received any reports of incidents related to the packaging seal issue.

Suction Catheters are intended for oro-nasopharyngeal and tracheobronchial suctioning of the upper and lower airways to remove excessive secretion in patients who are unable to clear these secretions themselves. Suction catheters are sterile, single patient and single procedure use devices that are intended for indirect connection to an active medical device.

Duodenal Tubes are single-use devices which may be inserted through the nose or mouth via the esophagus into the stomach or duodenum, to assist in the drainage of gastric contents, decompression of the stomach or duodenum, obtaining a specimen of gastric contents, administration of medication or fluids, and enteral feeding.

Stomach tubes are single-use devices which may be inserted through the nose or mouth via the esophagus into the stomach, to assist in the drainage of gastric contents, decompression of the stomach, obtaining a specimen of gastric contents, administration of medication or fluids, and enteral feeding.


Only the identified product part codes within this notice may have a potential to breach in the sterile barrier packaging.

For this reason and to address any potential risk of harm, all of the affected products should **not be used**.



**Product Identification Procedure:**

The only way to identify affected product is by comparing product code and manufactured date to the recalled product list (see Attachment 1). There is no other discernable difference between affected and unaffected product.

See Attachment 2 for example package labeling that highlights the location of the product code and manufactured date on the device labels. These are located on the primary packaging and the shipping carton. The product code (reference number) is preceded by the word 'REF' and the manufactured date is preceded by  and is in YYYY-MM-DD format

**Advice on action to be taken by the end user.**

Our records show that you have taken delivery of affected product. Please follow the steps below:

1. Please stop the use of all affected devices as defined in this document.
2. Check stock and ensure that all affected devices that you have in stock are quarantined.
3. Complete the enclosed 'Recall Response Form for END USERS' which should be forwarded to your distributor **as soon as possible**.
4. Contact your distributor to arrange return of affected products, if applicable, and to arrange credit. New orders will need to be raised.

**PLEASE PROVIDE A COMPLETED RESPONSE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

Continue to report any adverse events involving this product to the ConvaTec Customer Care Line (see Regional contact list for details).

**Transmission of this Field Safety Notice:**

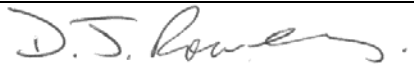
This notice should be sent to all others who have received the affected devices within your organization or to any organization where the affected devices have been transferred.

ConvaTec is committed to providing quality products and services to our customers and we sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this notice may cause.

If you have any questions relating to this recall, please contact the recall centre. For other support please contact your distributor or local ConvaTec representative. See contact list for details.

The relevant National Authorities have been advised about this Field Safety Corrective Action.

**Authorisation:**

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<u>Date</u> 19.07.2018	<u>Signature</u> 		

**Recall Centre: Dedicated help desk for this Field Safety Corrective Action:**

Tel: +44-208 6101 608

Fax: +44-207 6601 568

Email: [convatecproductrecall@stericycle.com](mailto:convatecproductrecall@stericycle.com)

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**RECALL RESPONSE FORM for END USERS**  
**URGENT FIELD SAFETY NOTICE**  
**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN by Fax/Email**

Consignee of the device:

<b>Consignee Name:</b>	
<b>Consignee Address:</b>	

The following Suction Catheter and Gastro-enteral products, have been distributed to your facility:

Product Code / REF No.	SAP Code	LOT No.	Quantity Delivered (pieces)

**Please answer each of the following.**

1.  We have NO affected product.
2.  We have the following affected product:

**Record quantity (pieces) for each LOT to be disposed:**

LOT No.	Units on Hand	LOT No.	Units on Hand	LOT No.	Units on Hand	LOT No.	Units on Hand	LOT No.	Units on Hand



FORM Completed and Returned From:

<b>Name (CAPITAL LETTERS):</b>	
<b>Position:</b>	
<b>Company Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Phone No:</b>	
<b>Signature:</b>	
<b>Date (dd/mmm/yyyy):</b>	

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


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**Attachment 1: Product Affected: The following Codes with a manufactured date between 2013-07-01 and 2018-06-30.**

<b>Product Code / REF No.</b>	<b>SAP Code</b>	<b>Description</b>
05042182	1301774	Suction Catheter / Funnel
05076181	1307451	Mully Suction Catheter/Funnel
05079181	1307452	Mully Suction Catheter / Fingertip
05087182	1705177	Uno Suction Catheter Mully
05125181	1307385	Uno Suction Catheter /Ideal
05204023	1304087	Suction Catheter / Funnel
05308022	1303471	Ideal Suction Catheter / Funnel
06021183	1304885	Mully Suction Catheter / Fingertip
06023183	1304886	Mully Suction Catheter/ Fingertip
07030181	1307405	Mully Suction Catheter/Vacutip
07037182	1705178	Mully Suction Catheter/Vacutip
07071022	1303480	Ideal Suction Catheter / SoftVac
07075022	1303484	Ideal Suction Catheter SoftVac
12003181	1307470	Uno Mully Metric
10007182	1705231	Duodenal Tube Levin /x-ray
10025022	1307360	Duodenal Tube Levin/introd.
10045022	1304034	Duodenal Tube Levin /x-ray
31011182	1302402	Feeding Tube / Purifeed

**Attachment 2: Example Package Labeling**

For the Affected product	
<p>The shipper label</p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>en: Suction Catheter w/Funnel  de: Absaugkatheter m. Trichter  fr: Sonde d'Aspir. avec Godet  nl: Zuigcatheter met Funnel  it: Catetere per Asp. Bronch.</p> <p><b>Made in Slovakia</b></p> <p>CH 10 Ø 3.3 mm  FG   53 cm</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div>  <p>0086</p> </div> <div> <p>ConvaTec Limited  First Avenue  Deeside Industrial Park  Deeside, Flintshire  CH5 2NU, UK</p> </div> </div> <hr/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>  2017-12-05 </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>  2022-11-01 </div> <div> <p>SAP 1301774 v6  EAN No.05705243221568</p> </div> </div> <hr/> <div style="text-align: center;">   (01)05705243221568(17)221101(10)7D00017 </div>
<p>The market unit label</p>	<p>en: Suction Catheter w/Funnel  de: Absaugkatheter m. Trichter  fr: Sonde d'Aspir. avec Godet  nl: Zuigcatheter met Funnel  it: Catetere per Asp. Bronch.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>  <p>0086</p> </div> <div> <p>ConvaTec Limited  First Avenue  Deeside Industrial Park  Deeside, Flintshire  CH5 2NU, UK</p> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div>  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 5px;"> <div>  2022-11-01 </div> <div>  2017-12-05 </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 5px;"> <div> <p>SAP 1301774 v6  CH 10 Ø 3.3 mm  FG   53 cm</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p><b>100</b></p> </div> </div> <hr/> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>EAN No. 05705243221551</p>   (01)05705243221551(17)221101(10)7D00017 </div>