

Symblepharon Rings and Ophthalmic

Conformers Instruction Sheet.

IMPORTANT: Only suitably trained and qualified personnel should carry out this procedure under normal operating room conditions.



The Altomed Conformers and Symblepharon Rings are used to help retain the socket and keep the fornices formed after enucleation, evisceration or socket reconstruction.

They are fitted with holes to allow easy insertion and removal, to provide drainage of mucoid discharge and also to provide access for any postoperative medication. Tarsorrhaphy procedures may be needed after insertion if deemed necessary by the Surgeon.

The Symblepharon Rings are used if there is excessive swelling or if the patient lacks volume in the socket post enucleation or evisceration. The **Classic Style** has been on the market for many years, has a tight dimensional range and is more circular in design whereas the **NEW Contoured** ones are an improved ergonomic and are shaped more to fit the eye.

The PMMA Conformers and Symblepharon Rings are hard and inflexible; by contrast the Silicone Conformers are soft and flexible. The Surgeon will select the best device for each patient depending upon their individual needs. The device selected should follow the contour of the socket and fill the fornices without putting pressure on, or otherwise affecting the suture line. An inappropriate device may lead to pressure necrosis, especially in the paediatric population.

Once in position the eyelids should easily close over the conformer. As the swelling subsides, it may be necessary to change the conformer to a smaller size. The devices can be used in conjunction with a suitable antibiotic ointment if deemed necessary by the Surgeon.

To insert - Very carefully pull the upper eye lid up, gently place the conformer in the socket and then pull the lower lid over the device. Use a suitable ophthalmic lubricant if required.

To remove - Very carefully pull the lower lid out and gently slide the conformer out.

If the patient feels the conformer has become contaminated and it is not as comfortable as normal, eg it feels gritty etc, it is recommended to replace the device with a new one.

Product Range:

Size = Approximate outside dimensions

A7122 PMMA (Lucite) Conformer Small 20 x 23mm
A7124 PMMA (Lucite) Conformer Medium 21 x 25mm
A7126 PMMA (Lucite) Conformer Large 25 x 28mm

A3710 Symblepharon Ring Small 21.0mm
A3712 Symblepharon Ring Medium 21.5mm
A3714 Symblepharon Ring Large 22.0mm

A7130 Silicone Conformer Small 20 x 23mm
A7132 Silicone Conformer Medium 21 x 25mm
A7134 Silicone Conformer Large 25 x 28mm

A3716 Contoured Symblepharon Ring Small 20.5 x 22mm
A3718 Contoured Symblepharon Ring Medium 22.5 x 24mm
A3720 Contoured Symblepharon Ring Large 24.5 x 26mm

Reprocessing

These devices are supplied sterile and single use and are not designed to be reprocessed or reused. Reprocessing may alter the structure of the device and affect the performance in use causing possible harm to the patient. Incorrect handling and reprocessing will also increase the risk of cross contamination and infection.

Assorted Conformers



Silicone - Soft / Cloudy Finish
PMMA - Hard / Clear Finish



Above: Contoured Symblepharon Ring
Below: Classic Symblepharon Ring

