



Midwest Eye Laboratories, Inc

Specializing in the Fitting and Fabrication of Ocular Prosthetics

Removal And Insertion Of The Ocular Prosthesis

Tips for Handling the Ocular Prosthesis

1. Make sure the sink drain and all other drains are closed before removing the ocular prosthesis.
2. Place a large towel on the countertop of the sink for protection of the ocular prosthesis.
3. Keep the prosthesis away from pets and young children.
4. Never use strong abrasives, chemicals, or brushes on the prosthesis.

Removal:

WASH HANDS THOROUGHLY.

Moisten the tip of a clean suction cup and place it on the iris of the ocular prosthesis.

Squeeze the suction cup while pressing it firmly against the prosthesis. Then release the suction cup, thereby allowing it to fasten itself to the prosthesis.

Gently pull down on the lower lid while lifting the bottom part of the ocular prosthesis out and away from the socket until the prosthesis is completely removed.

The ocular prosthesis may also be removed without the use of a suction cup by pulling down on the lower lid while looking up. When the bottom part of the ocular prosthesis slips over the lower lid, use the other hand to lift the prosthesis out of the socket completely.

Insertion:

WASH HANDS THOROUGHLY.

Make sure the eye socket is clean and free of any foreign matter. If necessary, gently remove any foreign matter from the socket with a dry cotton swab. Hold the ocular prosthesis between thumb and middle finger, with the iris color facing away from the socket and the black dot facing up. Use the index finger of the other hand to raise the upper lid. Gently insert the top portion of the prosthesis into the eye socket under the upper lid as far as it will go.

While holding the prosthesis in place, pull down on the lower lid until it slips over the bottom of the ocular prosthesis, then release the lower lid and the eye will seat itself firmly into position.

Insertion is now complete.