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## Performing Echo Monthly Maintenance

**Purpose:** This procedure provides instructions on monthly maintenance, including decontamination, wiping down the probe block, cleaning the wash manifold, washer residual volume test and washer dispense accuracy test.

- Policy:**
- This procedure is required to be performed at least every 31 days.
  - This procedure will be performed before relocating the instrument.
  - Major relocation of the instrument is only done by Immucor technical service.
  - Decontamination must always be followed by, Flush, Purge and Prime in that order
  - Wiping down the probe block can be completed before or after the Decontamination procedure.
  - The Wash Manifold should be cleaned while the Probe block is being decontaminated.

### Reagents, & Supplies

Equipment	Reagents	Supplies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Echo analyzer</li> <li>• Electronic balance</li> <li>• Electronic calculator</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two(2) Capture R or RS3 strips (expired OK)</li> <li>• Four(4) RS3 strips (expired OK)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Absorbent wiping material</li> <li>• De-ionized or distilled water</li> <li>• RelyOn Disinfectant Cleaner</li> <li>• Warm tap water</li> </ul>

**Procedure:** Monthly maintenance takes about 1 to 1 ½ hours to complete.  
 Decontamination An alert message is displayed on the bottom of the screen signifying that the buffer container is low during **Decontaminate instrument, Flush instrument, and Purge instrument**. This alert message does not negatively impact these three maintenance tasks.

Step	Action
1.	Prepare 1 liter of RelyOn by dissolving 10 grams of RelyOn (2 tablets) in 1 liter of de-ionized or distilled water water.
2.	Swirl gently and allow tablets to dissolve before use. <i>Note: This takes about 15 minutes to dissolve.</i>
3.	Pour off a small amount of reconstituted RelyOn into a container and put aside to use when cleaning the probe block.
4.	Empty the PBS out of the PBS supply bottle and pour the remaining reconstituted RelyOn into the PBS container.
5.	Swirl the fluid inside the PBS supply container so that it comes into contact with all internal surfaces.
6.	Connect the PBS supply bottle to the Galileo Echo. <i>Note: Make sure that the tubing inside of the PBS supply bottle is fully extended to the bottom of the bottle and not hooked on the inside shelf.</i>
7.	Disconnect the drain waste tubing. Empty and reinstall the waste container.
8.	Select <b>Decontaminate instrument</b> maintenance task from the drop-down list on the <b>Run</b> tab of the <b>Maintenance</b> window.
9.	Press the <b>Start</b> button of the <b>Run</b> tab to begin the procedure.
10.	Allow the working recommended cleaning solution to soak for ten (10) minutes in the instrument after the procedure is complete.

**Procedure:** **Flush instrument, Purge instrument and Prime instrument** can be run as stand-alone maintenance tasks when

Flush	required
	<b>Step Action</b>
1.	Empty the remaining cleaning solution out of the PBS supply bottle.
2.	Thoroughly rinse all internal surfaces of the PBS bottle with DI water ensuring that all surfaces have been rinsed. Discard DI rinse water.
3.	Refill PBS Supply bottle with at least 1 liter of fresh de-ionized or distilled water.
4.	Connect the PBS supply bottle to the Galileo Echo. <i>Note: Make sure that the tubing inside of the PBS supply bottle is fully extended to the bottom of the bottle and not hooked on the inside shelf.</i>
5.	Empty and reinstall the Waste container. <i>Note: If entire Decontamination procedure is being performed, emptying waste can be done after prime has been completed.</i>
6.	Select <b>Flush instrument</b> maintenance task from the drop-down list on the <b>Run</b> tab of the <b>Maintenance</b> window.
7.	Press the <b>Start</b> button of the <b>Run</b> tab to begin the procedure.
<b>Procedure:</b> Purge	
	<b>Step Action</b>
1.	Empty the remaining de-ionized or distilled water out of the PBS supply bottle.
2.	Connect the empty PBS supply bottle to the Galileo Echo
3.	Empty and reinstall the Waste container. <i>Note: If entire Decontamination procedure is being performed, emptying waste can be done after prime has been completed.</i>
4.	Select <b>Purge instrument</b> maintenance task from the drop-down list on the <b>Run</b> tab of the <b>Maintenance</b> window.
5.	Press the <b>Start</b> button of the <b>Run</b> tab to begin the procedure.
<b>Procedure:</b> Prime	
	<b>Step Action</b>
1.	Rinse PBS supply bottle with small amount of saline. Discard rinse.
2.	Add 1 liter of fresh PBS to the PBS supply bottle. <i>Note: Make sure that the tubing inside of the PBS supply bottle is fully extended to the bottom of the bottle and not hooked on the inside shelf.</i>
3.	Connect the PBS supply bottle to the Galileo Echo.
4.	Select <b>Prime instrument</b> maintenance task from the drop-down list on the <b>Run</b> tab of the <b>Maintenance</b> window.
5.	Press the <b>Start</b> button of the <b>Run</b> tab to begin the procedure.
6.	Empty and reinstall the waste container. Use waste shuttle if applicable.
7.	Initialize the analyzer. • If Fluidics error is encountered, prime analyzer 2 times and repeat initialization.
8.	Enter operator initials/code and date performed on decontamination line of Echo Maintenance Record form.
<b>Procedure:</b> Wiping down the probe block	This can be done before or after Decontamination process. In order to minimize down time, the Wash manifold should be cleaned while the Probe block is being decontaminated
	<b>Step Action</b>
1.	Power down the instrument and the computer.
2.	Remove the shroud.
3.	Check for leaks from bottom of probe by looking upwards from the bottom of the grey shield to the base of the probe and checking for salt accumulation

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	4.	Apply the RelyOn solution set aside in Step 3 of the Decontamination procedure to the absorbent wiping material and wipe grey shield at base of probe.							
	5.	Allow the RelyOn to remain on the probe block for 10 minutes.							
	6.	<p>While the RelyOn is working, perform the following housekeeping items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Replace priming strips with 2 Capture strips (expired strips may be used but bar codes must be readable)</li> <li>Check Wash Overflow Trough for spills. Wipe with warm water to clean as required.</li> <li>Wipe mirrors gently with damp Kim Wipe or Lens Paper as needed, if dust is present.</li> <li>Clean splashes or dust bunnies in lower cabinet with damp Kim Wipe or Lens Paper as needed.</li> </ul> <p><b>DO NOT use canned air on analyzer!</b></p>							
	7.	At the end of 10 minutes, wipe the probe block with distilled or de-ionized water. <i>Note: The RelyOn is corrosive so do not leave it on the block for an extended period of time before rinsing.</i>							
	8.	Replace the shroud							
	9.	Power up the instrument and the computer.							
	10.	Initialize the analyzer.							
	11.	Enter operator initials/code and date performed on Wipe down of Splash guard line of Echo Maintenance Record form							
<b>Procedure:</b> Clean Wash Manifold									
	<b>Step</b>	<b>Action</b>							
	1.	Loosen and remove the screw in the center of the front of the manifold with the flathead screw driver.							
	2.	Disconnect the luer locks on the end of the manifold and remove the tubing. <i>Note: Be sure to leave the connectors inside the wash manifold and make sure that they are tight. Do not remove the bumpers from the body of the manifold.</i>							
	3.	Use the stylus located in the clear plastic cylinder gripped by a clip located in the upper back right corner of the inside of the main instrument, to clean out the metal aspirating and dispensing probes.							
	4.	Soak the manifold in warm tap water for 15-20 minutes.							
	5.	After soaking, flush the manifold with warm tap water by pushing it through the luer using a syringe.							
	6.	Slide the manifold back into the groove and secure it with the flathead screwdriver..							
	7.	Reconnect the male and female tube endings matching them to their respective luer lock.							
	8.	Perform initialization. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If Fluidics error is encountered, prime washer and repeat initialization.</li> </ul>							
	9.	Perform the Washer basic test.							
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<b>Procedure:</b> Washer Residual Volume Test		<p>This test should be performed in tandem with the <b>Washer dispense accuracy test</b></p> <p><i>Note: Residual volumes that exceed acceptable range may result in false negative antibody screen and ABID reactions.</i></p>							

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1.	Record the serial number of the electronic balance, your initials, date of this task performance, facility name, and instrument serial number on the <b>Washer residual volume test</b> maintenance record.						
2.	Select <b>Washer residual volume test</b> from the drop-down list on the <b>Run</b> tab of the <b>Maintenance</b> window.						
3.	Weigh two (2) RS3 Capture strips and record the weight on the <b>Washer residual volume test</b> maintenance record.						
4.	Place the two (2) strips into a strip holder and then place the holder in position <b>1</b> of a strip tray.						
5.	Load the strip tray into strip tray position <b>1</b> of the strip tray loading bay.						
6..	Press the <b>Start</b> button on the <b>Run</b> tab to start the task.						
7.	Reweigh the two (2) strips when the test is complete and record the weight on the <b>Washer residual volume test</b> maintenance record.						
8.	Using the electronic calculator, subtract the weight obtained in step <b>c</b> from the weight obtained in step <b>g</b> and record that value on the <b>Washer residual volume test</b> maintenance record.						
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<b>Procedure:</b> Washer Dispense Accuracy Test	This test should be performed in tandem with the <b>Washer Residual Volume test</b>						
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1.	Record the serial number of the electronic balance, your initials, date of this task performance, facility name, and instrument serial number on the <b>Washer dispense accuracy test</b> maintenance record.						
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<b>Related Documents:</b>		• Shutting Down and Starting Up the Echo Analyze		
<b>Reference:</b>		• Immucor, Inc. <i>Galileo Echo Operator Manual</i> . ECO-001-200 Norcross, GA		

All revision dates:

### Attachments

- [Echo 2.0 Mainenance Record](#)
- [Echo Washer Residual Volume and Washer Dispense Accuracy Record.pdf](#)

### Approval Signatures

Step Description	Approver	Date
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