

STERILITY THROUGH PERFECT PACKAGING.

The packaging of instruments is crucial in guaranteeing the sterility of the instruments up to their application with the patient. Several demands on the packaging therefore arise in clinics, doctors' and dental surgeries:

EN ISO 11607-2.

Standard EN ISO 11607, Part 2, which has been in effect since 2006, applies as the validation standard for packaging processes in hospitals, dental and doctors' surgeries.

According to this standard, all packaging processes (sealing process, containers, etc.) have to be validated in health institutions. We therefore seriously advise against the use of self seal pouches, since the process is operated manually and therefore no validation is possible.

Conformity with this standard requires the constant monitoring by the devices of the critical sealing parameters (at least sealing temperature and contact pressure) in the sealing process. In the case of deviations, the device has to stop and signal the error. The new hawodent hd 680 DE-V fulfills these criteria and is therefore fully compliant with the standard.

- > The standard is available in full at: www.beuth.de.

DGSV/TÜV*-GUIDELINE FOR THE VALIDATION OF THE SEALING PROCESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH EN ISO 11607-2.

The German Society for Sterile Supply (DGSV) developed together with the TÜV the first 'Guideline for the Validation of the Sealing Process' especially for CSSD and medical staff. Alongside all the necessary check-lists, it also contains real case examples. Only the original hawotest Seal Check is required as a resource, as well as an external tensile seal strength test for Performance Qualification (PQ) as per EN ISO 11607-2.

- > For more information on Seal Check and tensile seal strength tests, please call our service team on: **+49 (0)6261 / 9770-0**.
- > The guideline is available to download for free at: www.hawo.com

