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Product: MammoPad®

Subsystem: Gantry

Subject: **Procedure to Remove MammoPads® from Breast Platform**

Purpose

To provide information on properly removing MammoPads from the Breast Platform used on Mammography X-Ray Systems.

Scope

This Technical Bulletin only applies to the use of Hologic MammoPads when applied to a breast platform per the MammoPad User Guide, MAN-02449 (Revision 004 as of this publication is the current edition)

Reason

The current version of the MammoPad User Manual, MAN-02449 Revision 004, does not provide user instructions for removing the MammoPad from the breast platform.

Please use the procedure in this Customer Technical Bulletin to perform this. These instructions will be incorporated into the next edition of the User Manual.

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Standard Method for Removal of MammoPad

1. Grip one corner of the MammoPad and gently/slowly pull upwards.
(Figure 1)



Figure 1

2. Continue to gently/slowly pull the corner upward and diagonally backwards from the breast platform (Figure 2). The MammoPad should remove in one piece, with adhesive tape still attached to the foam (Figure 3).



Figure 2

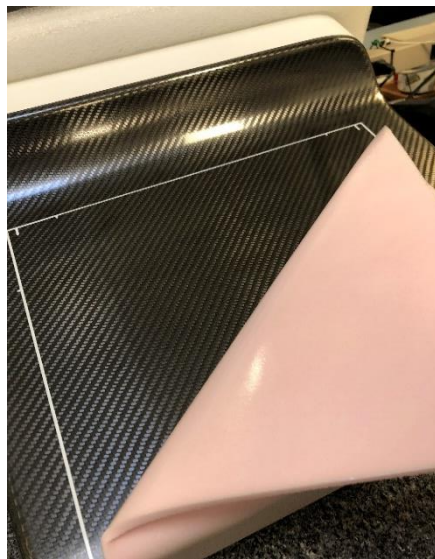


Figure 3

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3. Once the MammoPad is completely detached from the top of the breast platform (Figure 4), start gently/slowly pulling diagonally to remove from the front face (Figure 5). Continue until the MammoPad has been completely removed from the breast platform.



Figure 4



Figure 5

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Alternate Method for Removal of MammoPad

Note: If there is difficulty removing the MammoPad using the standard method without tearing the MammoPad, use the following procedure.

1. Place finger diagonally above a corner of the MammoPad (Figure 6).



Figure 6

2. Roll finger diagonally backward across the corner of the MammoPad. The pad should curl backwards with this motion (Figure 7).



Figure 7

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3. Continue gently/slowly pulling the corner upward and diagonally backwards from the breast platform (Figure 8). The MammoPad should remove in one piece, with adhesive tape still attached to the foam. (Figure 8).



Figure 8



Figure 9

4. Once the MammoPad is completely detached from the top of the breast platform (Figure 10), start gently/slowly pulling diagonally to remove from the front face (Figure 11). Continue until the MammoPad has been completely removed from the breast platform.



Figure 10



Figure 11

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Attention: If a corner of MammoPad tears (Figure 12), do not continue attempting to remove the same location. Shift to a different corner and proceed with Step 1 on the Standard or Alternate Removal Method. The adhesive tape left behind from the torn padding should remove with the rest of the MammoPad (Figure 13).

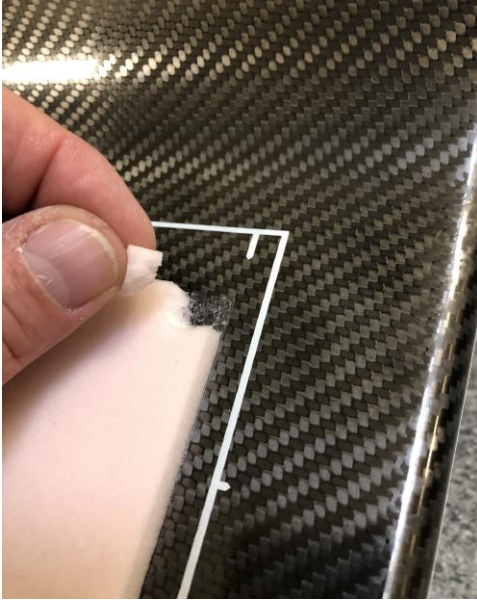


Figure 12



Figure 13