#### **Electrode Care**

If you are receiving your TENS unit at the time of surgery, you will have sterile electrodes surrounding the surgical site. If they are underneath the dressings, do not attempt to remove them yourself until your physician has removed the dressings or has given you further instructions. Once the sterile electrodes have been removed or are no longer adhering to your skin, you may then use the reusable electrodes provided in the TENS case, following the instructions below:

#### Instructions for Reusable Electrodes Application (Pre or Post-Operation, Chronic I General Pain)

- Clean skin thoroughly prior to each application of electrodes. Electrodes do not stick well if any lotion, oil, make-up, dirt, etc. is left on skin.
- Remove the electrodes from the protective liner and apply firmly to skin. Adhesion improves when electrodes reach skin temperature.
- Insert the pins of the lead wire from the device into the electrode wire connectors.

#### Removal

- Lift at edge of electrode pad and peel. Do not pull on the lead wires when removing electrodes - you may damage the electrodes if you do so.
- 2. Place the electrodes on the protective liner and remove the lead wire by twisting and pulling at the same time.

#### Care and Storage

- 1. Between uses, store the electrodes in the resealable bag in a cool, dry place.
- The life of the electrodes varies depending on skin conditions, storage, frequency of use, type of stimulation, and stimulation site. Electrode life may be extended by carefully following the application instructions above.

#### **Important**

- 1. The electrodes are intended for single-patient use only.
- 2. Do not apply to broken skin. Should rash occur, discontinue use.

### TO RECEIVE ADDITIONAL ELECTRODES, CALL: (TOLL FREE) 888.214.2455

The TENS 3900 is not intended for use during pregnancy or for individuals with pacemakers. Please read Cautions and Warnings in your manual for further information.

#### **Electrode Placement**

Place the electrode pads so that they form a box around the painful area. When connecting the wires from the control unit to the electrodes, always form an "X" over the site by using a diagonal connection as illustrated on the diagrams. Always make sure the control unit is turned off before connecting, disconnecting, or reconnecting the wires to the unit or to electrodes, or before changing the battery.



#### **Adjustment Control**

Adjust the two control knobs on the top of the TENS to the level of highest intensity without causing discomfort. As the battery begins to lose power, the control setting may have to be increased accordingly.

The controls in the battery compartment have been preset for the recommended levels and should not be readjusted:

- 1. The Mode should be set to M.
- 2. The Timer should be set to C.
- 3. Pulse Width should be set to 150.
- 4. Pulse Rate should be set at 70.

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#### **HOW THE TENS 3900 WORKS**

"TENS" stands for Transcutaneous (passing through the skin) Electrical Nerve Stimulator. Your body's large nerve fibers are also known as nociceptive fibers because they do not transmit pain. The TENS unit transmits electrical current along the large nerve fibers, stimulating them to produce counter signals which prevent the pain signals from reaching your brain. These large nerve fibers "close the gate" in the spinal cord, thus providing pain relief.

## **ELECTRODE PLACEMENT CHARTS**











