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Comprehensive guide for the safe and effective use of your Salter Labs Oxygen Nasal Cannula.

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential instructions for the proper setup, operation, and maintenance of the Salter Labs 16SOFTTG-7-1 Adult Oxygen Nasal Cannula. Please read this manual thoroughly before using the product to ensure safe and effective operation. This device is intended for adult use to deliver supplemental oxygen.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Salter Labs 16SOFTTG-7-1 is a 7-foot clear oxygen nasal cannula designed for adult use, capable of handling oxygen flows up to 6 liters per minute. It features a 3-channel inner design for kink and crush resistance, ensuring a continuous flow of oxygen. The soft, curved prongs are designed for comfort, fitting gently into the nostrils without causing pressure on the upper lip. The pliable tubing minimizes pressure around the cheeks and ears.



Image 1: The Salter Labs 16SOFTTG-7-1 Adult Oxygen Nasal Cannula, showing the clear tubing and the nasal prongs with a threaded connector.

Key Features:

- **Comfortable Design:** Soft, curved nasal prongs and pliable tubing reduce pressure points.
- **Kink-Resistant Tubing:** 3-channel inner design prevents kinks and crushes, maintaining oxygen flow.
- **Standard Connector:** Equipped with a standard thread grip connector for compatibility.
- **Length:** 7 feet (2.1 meters) for extended reach.
- **Flow Rate:** Rated for oxygen flows up to 6 liters per minute.

3. SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Inspect the Cannula:** Before each use, visually inspect the cannula for any signs of damage, kinks, or blockages. Ensure the tubing is clear and the prongs are intact.
2. **Connect to Oxygen Source:** Attach the threaded grip connector end of the cannula securely to the oxygen flow meter or oxygen concentrator outlet. Ensure a tight fit to prevent leaks.
3. **Adjust Oxygen Flow:** Set the oxygen flow rate according to your healthcare provider's prescription.
4. **Position the Cannula:**
 - Gently insert the two nasal prongs into your nostrils.
 - Loop the tubing over your ears, ensuring it rests comfortably without pulling or causing discomfort.
 - Adjust the slide or collar under your chin to secure the cannula in place, ensuring a snug but not overly tight fit.
5. **Check for Oxygen Flow:** Confirm that oxygen is flowing through the cannula by feeling the gentle stream of air from the prongs or by observing the flow meter.

4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Once the cannula is properly set up and the oxygen flow is confirmed, continuous use is generally straightforward. Always follow your healthcare provider's specific instructions regarding oxygen therapy duration and flow rates.

- **Maintain Prescribed Flow:** Ensure the oxygen flow rate remains at the level prescribed by your doctor. Do not adjust the flow rate without medical advice.
- **Comfort Check:** Periodically check that the nasal prongs are comfortably seated and that the tubing is not causing irritation behind the ears or on the face. Adjust as needed.
- **Breathing:** Breathe normally through your nose. The cannula is designed to deliver oxygen directly into your nasal passages.
- **Mobility:** The 7-foot tubing allows for some mobility. Be mindful of the tubing to avoid tripping hazards or accidental disconnections.

5. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Proper maintenance ensures the longevity and hygienic use of your nasal cannula.

- **Cleaning:** Clean the nasal prongs and the portion of the tubing that comes into contact with your skin daily using a mild soap and water solution. Rinse thoroughly with clean water and allow to air dry completely before reuse.
- **Disinfection:** Consult your healthcare provider for specific disinfection protocols if required.
- **Storage:** When not in use, store the cannula in a clean, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.
- **Replacement:** Nasal cannulas are disposable medical devices and should be replaced regularly, typically every 2-4 weeks, or sooner if they become stiff, discolored, or damaged. Follow your healthcare provider's recommendations for replacement frequency.
- **Do Not Sterilize:** This product is not designed for sterilization.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your nasal cannula, consider the following common solutions:

- **No Oxygen Flow:**
 - Check if the oxygen source is turned on and the flow meter is set correctly.
 - Ensure all connections are secure and not leaking.
 - Inspect the tubing for kinks or blockages. Straighten any kinks.
 - Verify that the nasal prongs are not obstructed.
- **Discomfort or Skin Irritation:**
 - Adjust the position of the tubing over your ears and the slide under your chin to relieve pressure.
 - Ensure the prongs are correctly inserted and not pressing against the nasal septum.
 - Consider using soft padding or specialized ear protectors if irritation persists.
 - If irritation is severe or persistent, consult your healthcare provider.
- **Tubing Kinking:**
 - While the 3-channel design resists kinking, ensure the tubing is not sharply bent or trapped under objects.
 - If kinking is frequent, the cannula may need replacement.

If problems persist, contact your healthcare provider or equipment supplier.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Model Number	16SOFTTG-7-1
Brand	Salter Labs
Length	7 feet (approx. 2.1 meters)
Type	Adult Nasal Cannula
Flow Rate Capacity	Up to 6 liters per minute
Design Feature	3-Channel Kink-Resistant Tubing
Connector Type	Standard Thread Grip Connector
Material	Soft, pliable medical-grade material
Package Dimensions	6.02 x 5.12 x 0.59 inches
Item Weight	1.13 ounces

8. SAFETY INFORMATION

- **Medical Device:** This product is a medical device. Use only as directed by a healthcare professional.
- **Fire Hazard:** Oxygen is a fire accelerant. Keep oxygen equipment at least 5 feet (1.5 meters) away from heat sources, open flames, and smoking materials.
- **Choking Hazard:** Keep tubing away from infants and small children to prevent entanglement or choking.
- **Single Patient Use:** This cannula is intended for single-patient use only to prevent cross-contamination.
- **Disposal:** Dispose of used cannulas according to local regulations for medical waste.
- **Not for Sterilization:** Do not attempt to sterilize this product.
- **Consult Healthcare Provider:** If you experience any adverse reactions or discomfort, discontinue use and consult your healthcare provider immediately.

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9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Specific warranty information for the Salter Labs 16SOFTTG-7-1 Adult Oxygen Nasal Cannula is not provided in this manual. For warranty details, product support, or to report any issues, please contact your medical equipment supplier or Salter Labs directly through their official website or customer service channels. For general inquiries or further assistance, please refer to the contact information provided by your purchasing vendor or the manufacturer.

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