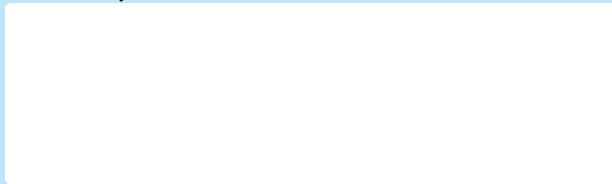


# INSTRUCTION MANUAL

## FOR THE Twin Stim<sup>®</sup> Plus DIGITAL TENS/EMS



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## **Chapter 1: GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The Twin Stim® Plus Digital TENS/EMS is a battery operated pulse generator that sends electrical impulses electrodes to the body and reach the nerves and underlying muscle group. This unit is a combination stimulator of TENS and EMS which can be used for muscle stimulation and pain relief. The device is provided with two controllable output channels, each independent of each other. An electrode pair can be connected to each output channel. The intensity controls are protected by a cap to avoid accidental touch. The settings are controlled by press buttons.

## **Chapter 2 : INTRODUCTION**

### **EXPLANATION OF PAIN**

Pain is a warning system and the body's method of telling us that something is wrong. Pain is important; without it abnormal conditions may go undetected, causing damage or injury to vital parts of our bodies.

Even though pain is a necessary warning signal of trauma or malfunction in the body, nature may have gone too far in its design. Aside from its value in diagnosis, long-lasting persistent pain serves no useful purpose. Pain does not begin until coded message travels to the brain where it is decoded, analyzed, and then reacted to. The pain message travels from the injured area along the small nerves leading to the spinal cord. Here the message is switched to different nerves that travel up the spinal cord to the brain. The pain message is then interpreted, referred back and the pain is felt.

### **EXPLANATION OF TENS**

Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation is a non-invasive, drug-free method of controlling pain. TENS uses tiny electrical impulses sent through the skin to nerves to modify your pain perception. TENS does not cure any physiological problem; it only helps control the pain. TENS does not work for everyone; however, in most patients it is effective in reducing or eliminating the pain, allowing for a return to normal activity.

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## **HOW TENS WORKS**

There is nothing "magic" about Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation (TENS). TENS is intended to be used to relieve pain. The TENS unit sends comfortable impulses through the skin that stimulate the nerve (or nerves) in the treatment area. In many cases, this stimulation will greatly reduce or eliminate the pain sensation the patient feels. Pain relief varies by individual patient, mode selected for therapy, and the type of pain. In many patients, the reduction or elimination of pain lasts longer than the actual period of stimulation (sometimes as much as three to four times longer). In others, pain is only modified while stimulation actually occurs. You may discuss this with your physician or therapist.

## **EXPLANATION OF EMS**

Electrical Muscle Stimulation is an internationally accepted and proven way of treating muscular injuries. It works by sending electronic pulses to the muscle needing treatment; this causes the muscle to exercise passively.

It is a product derived from the square waveform, originally invented by John Faraday in 1831. Through the square wave pattern it is able to work directly on muscle motor neurons. The Twin Stim® has low frequency and this in conjunction with the square wave pattern allows direct work on muscle groupings. This is being widely used in hospitals and sports clinics for the treatment of muscular injuries and for the re-education of paralyzed muscles, to prevent atrophy in affected muscles and improving muscle tone and blood circulation.

## **HOW EMS WORKS**

1. Relaxation of muscle spasms
2. Prevention or retardation of disuse atrophy
3. Increasing local blood circulation
4. Muscle re-education
5. Immediate post-surgical stimulation of calf muscles to prevent venous thrombosis
6. Maintaining or increasing range of motion

The EMS units send comfortable impulses through the skin that stimulate the nerves in the treatment area. When the muscle receives this signal it contracts as if the brain has sent the signal itself. As the

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signal strength increases, the muscle flexes as in physical exercise. Then when the pulse ceases, the muscle relaxes and the cycle starts over again, (Stimulation, Contraction and Relaxation.) Powered muscle stimulators should only be used under medical supervision for adjunctive therapy for the treatment of medical diseases and conditions.

### **IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION**

Read instruction manual before operation. Be sure to comply with all "CAUTIONS" and "WARNINGS" in the manual. Failure to follow instructions can cause harm to user or device.

## **Chapter 3 : CAUTIONS**

### **TENS**

1. Federal law (USA) restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.
2. Do not use this device for undiagnosed pain syndromes until consulting a physician.
3. Patients with an implanted electronic device, such as a cardiac pacemaker, implanted defibrillator, or any other metallic or electronic device should not undergo TENS treatment without first consulting a doctor.
4. Patients with heart disease, epilepsy, cancer or any other health condition should not undergo TENS treatment without first consulting a physician.
5. Stimulation delivered by this device may be sufficient to cause electrocution. Electrical current of this magnitude must not flow through the thorax or across the chest because it may cause a cardiac arrhythmia.
6. Do not place electrodes on the front of the throat as spasm of the Laryngeal and Pharyngeal muscle may occur. Stimulation over the carotid sinus (neck region) may close the airways, make breathing difficult, and may have adverse effects on the heart rhythm or blood pressure.
7. Do not place electrodes on your head or at any sites that may cause the electrical current to flow transcranially (through the head).

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8. This device should not be used while driving, operating machinery, close to water, or during any activity in which involuntary muscle contractions may put the user at undue risk of injury.
9. Turn the TENS off before applying or removing electrodes.
10. Isolated cases of skin irritation may occur at the site of electrode placement following long term application. If this occurs, discontinue use and consult your physician.
11. If TENS therapy becomes ineffective or unpleasant, stimulation should be discontinued until its use is re-evaluated by a physician
12. Keep this device out of the reach of children.
13. The device has no AP/APG protection.  
Do not use it in the presence of explosive atmosphere and flammable mixture.

### **EMS**

1. Federal law (USA) restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician
2. Safety of powered muscle stimulators for use during pregnancy has not been established.
3. Caution should be used for patients with suspected or diagnosed heart problems.
4. Caution should be used for patients with suspected or diagnosed epilepsy.
5. Caution should be used in the presence of the following:
  - a. When there is a tendency to hemorrhage following acute trauma or fracture;
  - b. Following recent surgical procedures when muscle contraction may disrupt the healing process;
  - c. Over the menstruating or pregnant uterus; and
  - d. Over areas of the skin which lack normal sensation.
6. Some patients may experience skin irritation or hypersensitivity due to the electrical stimulation or electrical conductive medium. The irritation can usually be reduced by using an alternate conductive medium, or alternate electrode placement.
7. Electrode placement and stimulation settings should be based on the guidance of the prescribing practitioner.
8. Powered muscle stimulators should be kept out of the reach of children.
9. Powered muscle stimulators should be used only with the leads and electrodes recommended for use by the manufacturer.

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10. Portable powered muscle stimulators should not be used while driving, operating machinery, or during any activity in which involuntary muscle contractions may put the user at undue risk of injury.

#### **Chapter 4 : WARNINGS**

1. The long-term effects of chronic electrical stimulation are unknown.
2. Stimulation should not be applied over the carotid sinus nerves, particularly in patients with a known sensitivity to the carotid sinus reflex.
3. Stimulation should not be applied over the neck or mouth. Severe spasm of the laryngeal and pharyngeal muscles may occur and the contractions may be strong enough to close the airway or cause difficulty in breathing.
4. Stimulation should not be applied transthoracically in that the introduction of electrical current into the heart may cause cardiac arrhythmias.
5. Stimulation should not be applied transcerebrally.
6. Stimulation should not be applied over swollen, infected, or inflamed areas or skin eruptions, e.g., phlebitis, thrombophlebitis, varicose veins, etc.
7. Stimulation should not be applied over, or in proximity to, cancerous lesions.

#### **Chapter 5: CONTRAINDICATION**

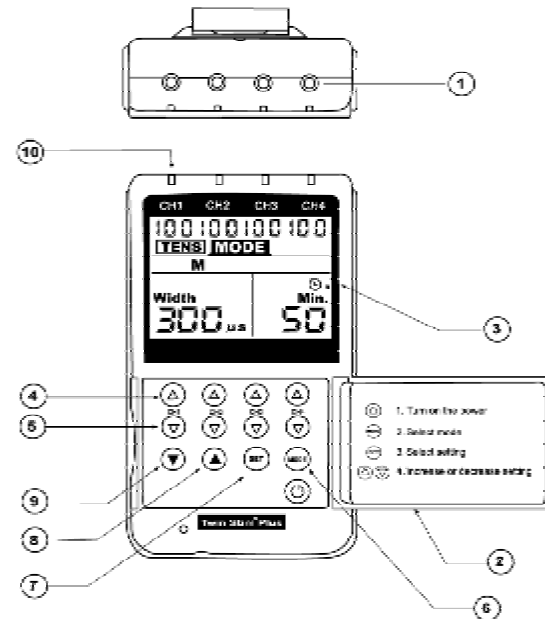
Electrical stimulators should not be used on patients with cardiac demand pacemakers.

#### **Chapter 6: ADVERSE REACTIONS**

Skin irritation and burns beneath the electrodes have been reported with the use of electrical stimulators. If irritation occurs, discontinue use and consult your physician.

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#### **Chapter 7 : CONSTRUCTION**



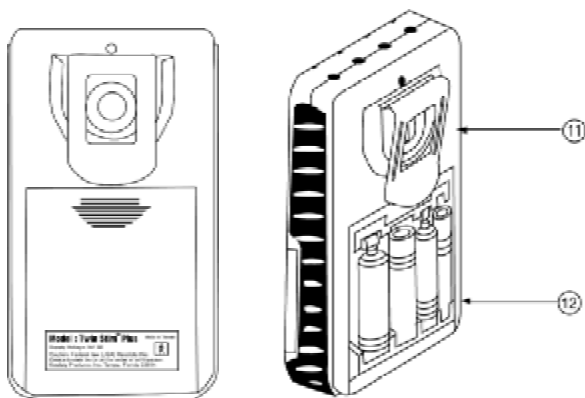
#### **FRONT**

- (1) LEAD CONNECTOR
- (2) PANEL COVER
- (3) LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY
- (4) INTENSITY INCREASE CONTROL
- (5) INTENSITY DECREASE CONTROL
- (6) MODE CONTROL
- (7) SET CONTROL
- (8) INCREMENT CONTROL
- (9) DECREMENT CONTROL
- (10) LED

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BACK

SIDE



**BACK**

(11) BATTERY CASE

(12) BELT CLIP

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## **Chapter 8 : TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

The technical specification details of Twin Stim<sup>®</sup> Plus are as follows:

	MECHANISM	TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION
01	Channel	Four, isolated between channels
02	Pulse Amplitude	Adjustable, 0-100 mA peak into 500 ohm load each channel.
03	Wave Form	Asymmetrical Bi-Phasic Square Pulse
04	Voltage	0 to 50V (Load: 500 ohm)
05	Power source	Four AA batteries
06	Size	13.8cm(L) x 7.8cm(W) x 2.8cm(H)
07	Weight	425 grams with battery.
08	Pulse Rate	Adjustable, from 2 to 150 Hz, 1 Hz/step
09	Pulse Width	Adjustable, from 50 to 300 microseconds, 10 $\mu$ s/step
10	On Time	Adjustable, 2-90 seconds , 1 Sec./ step
11	Off Time	Adjustable, 0-90 seconds , 1 Sec./ step
12	Ramp Time	Adjustable, 1-8 seconds, 1 Sec./ step, The "On" time will increase and decrease in the setting value.
13	Mode	Five TENS Modes: B(Burst), N(Normal),M (Modulation),SD1( Strength Duration), SD2 Three EMS Modes:C(Constant) S (Synchronous), A(Alternate)
14	Burst Mode	Burst rate: Adjustable, 0.5 ~ 5Hz Pulse width adjustable, 50-300 $\mu$ s Frequency fixed = 100 Hz
15	Normal Mode	The pulse rate and pulse width are adjustable. It generates continuous stimulation based on the setting value.
16	Modulation Mode	Modulation mode is a combination of pulse rate and pulse width modulation. The pulse

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		rate and width are automatically varied in a cycle pattern. The pulse width is decreased by 50% from its original setting in 0.5 second, then the pulse rate is decreased by 50% from its original setting in 0.5 second. Total cycle time is 1 second. In this mode, pulse rate(2-150Hz) and pulse width(50-300 μs) are fully adjustable.
17	SD1 Mode	The SD1(Strength-Duration) mode consists of automatic modulation intensity and pulse width in 40% range. The intensity is always increasing while the pulse width is decreasing and vice-versa. The intensity is decreased by 40% while the pulse width is increased by 40% in 5 seconds. In the next 5 seconds, the intensity is increased by 40% while the pulse width is decreased by 40%. Total cycle time is 10 seconds. Pulse rate ( 2~150Hz) and pulse width (50~300μs) are fully adjustable.
18	SD2 Mode	The SD2(Strength-Duration) mode consists of automatic modulation intensity and pulse width in 70% range. The intensity is always increasing while the pulse width is decreasing and vice-versa. The intensity is decreased by 70% while the pulse width is increased by 70% in 5 seconds. In the next 5 seconds, the intensity is increased by 70% while the pulse width is decreased by 70%. Total cycle time is 10 seconds. Pulse rate( 2~150Hz) and pulse width (50~300μs) are fully adjustable.
19	Constant Mode (C)	Constant stimulation based on setting value. Only pulse width, pulse rate and timer are adjustable in this mode. "Constant" is equal

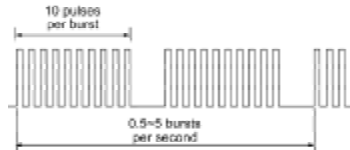
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		to the "Normal" mode of a TENS unit.
20	Synchronous Mode (S)	Stimulation of both channels occurs synchronously. The "ON" time including "Ramp Up" and "Ramp Down" time. Therefore, the setting of ON Time should be no less than two times of the "Ramp" time in this mode. ON TIME ≥ Ramp up + Ramp down
21	Alternate Mode(A)	The stimulation of the CH2 will occur after the 1st contraction of CH1 is completed. In this mode, the setting of ON Time should be no less than two times of the "Ramp" time. The OFF Time should be equal or more than the ON Time. ON TIME ≥ Ramp up + Ramp down OFF TIME ≥ ON TIME
22	Timer	Two Adjustable timers, from 1 to 60 minutes or Continuous. Adjustable in 1 minute each step from 1 to 15 minutes, and 5 minutes each step from 15 to 60 minutes. Treatment time countdown automatically.
23	Patient Compliance Meter	This unit can store 60 sets of operation records. Total recorded time is 999 hours.
24	Low Battery Indicator	A low battery indicator will show up when the battery is low.
25	Operating Condition	Temperature: 0°~40°C Relative Humidity: 30%~75% Atmosphere Pressure : 700Hpa~1060Hpa
26	Remark	There may be up to a +/-5% tolerance of all parameters and +/-20% tolerance of amplitude & voltage.

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The waveforms of the TENS modes are as follows.

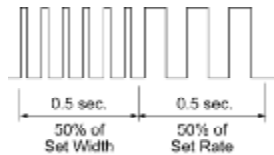
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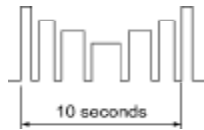
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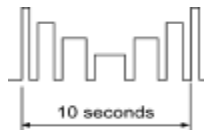
3. Modulation



4. SD1 (Strength-Duration)



5. SD2 (Strength-Duration)



**Chapter 9 : REPLACEABLE PARTS**

The replaceable parts and accessories of Twin Stim<sup>®</sup> Plus Digital TENS/EMS devices are as given below –

Except leads, electrodes, battery and battery case cover, please do not try to replace the other parts of a device.

PARTS	
01	LEAD WIRES
02	ELECTRODES
03	1.5 BATTERY, TYPE AA
04	BELTCLIP
05	BATTERY CASE COVER
06	LEAD CONNECTOR
07	MAIN PCB
08	INTENSITY KNOB
09	LCD COVER
10	INTENSITY CONTROL COVER

**Chapter 10 : ACCESSORIES**

Each Twin Stim<sup>®</sup> Plus Digital TENS/EMS comes complete with standard accessories and the standard labels as given below:







I. Accessories		
REF. NO.	DESCRIPTION	Q'TY
1. TKS4040	40 X 40 mm Adhesive Electrodes	8 pieces
2. KE-26	Electrodes Leads	4 pieces
3.	AA Battery	4 piece
4.	Instruction Manual	1 piece
5.	Carrying Case	1 piece

## II. LABEL



The label attached to the back of device contains important information about this device-model, supply voltage and caution. Please do not remove.

### Chapter 11 : GRAPHIC SYMBOLS

1.  Degree of Electrical Protection BF
2.  Do not insert the plug into AC power supply socket.
3.  Timer
4.  Low Battery
5.  Increment
6.  Decrement

### Chapter 12: OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Insert the AA battery into the device's battery compartment. Make sure to remove the plastic seal on the AA battery. Line up the positive and negative terminals on the battery with their corresponding terminals in the device.
- 2) Insert the lead wires into the lead wire sockets on top of the device.
- 3) Open the electrode package. Then insert each lead wire pin into the pig tail of the electrodes
- 4) Place the electrode on your body as directed by your physician.
- 5) Press the (ON/OFF button) to turn on the device.

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- 6) Select the mode and settings as directed by your physician.
- 7) There are 4 sets of intensity buttons, which correlate to each of the 4 channels. Slowly increase or decrease the intensity as directed by your physician by pressing the up or down Intensity buttons. (Please put a picture of them) Press the up arrow button to increase intensity and press the down arrow button to decrease intensity.
- 8) After treatment, turn the device off by pressing the (ON/OFF button)

### Chapter 13 : PARAMETER CONTROLS

#### PULSE DURATION

Wider pulse duration settings will deliver stronger stimulation for any given intensity setting. As mentioned in the Controls section, by using a combination of intensity and pulse duration, it is felt that various pulse widths are capable of stimulating different groups of nerve fibres.

The wider pulse duration is needed to recruit motor fibres, whereas the narrow pulse duration is used on the more sensory fibres. The choice of which pulse duration to use is partially dependent upon the Treatment Mode and Protocol selected.

#### PULSE RATE

The Pulse Rate (hertz or pulses per second) chosen depends greatly upon the type of electrode placement given to the patient.

When using contiguous and dermatome electrode placements (i.e. stimulating directly through the area of pain or localized enervation), a quick pulse rate (setting greater than 80Hz on the Pulse Rate Control) is desired. The patient should not perceive individual pulses but rather have the sensation of steady continuous stimulation.

When using point treatments, it has been suggested that slow pulses be utilized (less than 10Hz). With this setting the patient should be able to slightly perceive individual pulses.

When using multiple electrode placement strategies, such as combinations of point and contiguous electrode placements, the quicker pulse rates are suggested.

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Despite above recommendations, these individual patients may require slight variations of the above settings, according to the nature of their condition.

#### **TREATMENT MODE**

Normal or Conventional TENS offers the practitioners complete control over all the various treatment parameters of the instrument.

Burst Mode is analogous to the Low Rate TENS technique except the low frequency individual pulses are replaced by individual “bursts” of 7-10 individual pulses. It is thus a combination of Conventional TENS and Low Rate TENS. In Burst Mode, the treatment frequency is adjustable at the range between 0.5Hz – 5Hz.

Modulated Mode attempts to prevent nerve accommodation by continuously cycling the treatment intensity. When using Modulated Mode increase the intensity only when the unit is at the maximum intensity of the modulation cycle. If the intensity is increased during a low intensity period of the cycle, the patient may turn up the control very slowly, so that they may feel the intensity any higher.

#### **INTENSITY**

Each patient responds differently to different levels of intensity, due to varying degrees of tissue resistance, enervation, skin thickness, etc. Intensity instructions are therefore limited to the following settings:

Perception – The intensity is increased so that the patient can feel the stimulation, but there is not any muscular contraction.

Slight Contraction – Intensity is increased to a barely visible muscular contraction that is not strong enough to move a joint. When using low pulse rate settings, this will show as individual twitches. At higher pulse rates there will simply be increased muscle tension.

Strong muscular contraction is typically not used in TENS therapy. However, muscular contraction may be useful if the pain involves a cramped or spastic muscle. The TENS can be used as a traditional muscle stimulator in the circumstances to quickly break the spasm. Use a quick pulse rate, wide pulse duration and set the intensity to visible contraction (still within patient tolerance). Twenty or thirty

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minutes of such a tetanized muscular contraction will generally break the spasm. In all cases, if the patient complains that the stimulation is uncomfortable, reduce intensity and/or cease stimulation.

#### **TIME DURATION**

The onset of pain relief should occur shortly after the intensity setting has been determined. However, in some cases, pain relief may take as long as 30 minutes to achieve, especially when using point electrode placements and slow pulse rates.

TENS units are typically operated for long periods of time, with a minimum of 20 – 30 minutes and in some post-operation protocols, as long as 36 hours.

In general, pain relief will diminish within 30 minutes of the cessation of stimulation. Pain relief obtained through point electrode placements may last longer (perhaps because of the presence of endorphins).

#### **CONTRACTION / RELAXATION**

The contraction time and relaxation time of EMS is adjustable. Stimulation will continue at the setting contraction time and cease also at the setting relaxation time. Then the cycle starts over again – Stimulation, Contraction and Relaxation.

#### **RAMP**

In order to achieve a comfortable exercise and avoid startle because of electrical shock, each contraction course may be ramped so that the signal comes on gradually and smoothly. The intensity of electrical current will reach the setting level within the Ramp time, however, it can not reach the expected level if the contraction time is less than the ramp time.

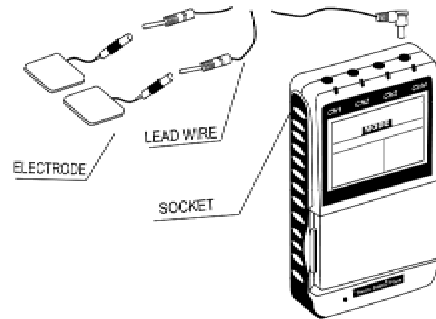
#### **OUTPUT MODE**

The output of both channels are adjustable. It can be in the pattern of synchronous or alternate. Stimulation of both channels will occur at the same time when simultaneous pattern is selected. At alternating mode, the stimulation of the CH2 will occur after the 1st contraction of CH1 is finished.

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## **Chapter 14 : ATTACHMENT OF ELECTRODE LEAD WIRES**

The wires provided with the system insert into the jack sockets located on top of the device. Holding the insulated portion of the connector, push the plug end of the wire into one of the jacks (see drawing); one or two sets of wires may be used.



After connecting the wires to the stimulator, attach each wire to an electrode. Use care when you plug and unplug the wires. Jerking the wire instead of holding the insulated connector body may cause wire breakage.

### **CAUTION**

Do not insert the plug of the patient lead wire into any AC power supply socket.

## **Chapter 15: LEAD WIRE MAINTENANCE**

Clean the wires by wiping with a damp cloth. Coating them lightly with talcum powder will reduce tangling and prolong life.

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## **Chapter 16 : ELECTRODE OPTIONS**

The electrodes are disposable and should be routinely replaced when they start to lose their adhesive nature. If you are unsure of your electrode adhesive properties, order replacement electrodes. Replacement electrodes should be re-ordered through or on the advice of your physician to ensure proper quality. Follow application procedures outlined in electrode packing, to maintain optimal stimulation and to prevent skin irritation.

## **Chapter 17: ELECTRODE PLACEMENT**

The placement of electrodes can be one of the most important parameters in achieving success with TENS or EMS therapy. Of utmost importance is the willingness of the physician to try the various styles of electrode placement to find which method best fits the needs of the individual patient.

Every patient responds to electrical stimulation differently and their needs may vary from the conventional settings suggested here. If the initial results are not positive, speak to your physician about alternative stimulation settings and/or electrode placements. Once an acceptable placement has been achieved, mark down the electrodes sites and the settings, so the patient can easily continue treatment at home.

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## **Chapter 18: TIPS FOR SKIN CARE**

To avoid skin irritation, especially if you have sensitive skin, follow these suggestions:

1. Wash the area of skin where you will be placing the electrodes, using mild soap and water before applying electrodes, and after taking them off. Be sure to rinse soap off thoroughly and dry skin well.
2. Excess hair may be clipped with scissors; do not shave stimulation area.
3. Wipe the area with the skin preparation your physician has recommended. Let this dry. Apply electrodes as directed.
4. Many skin problems arise from the "pulling stress" from adhesive patches that are excessively stretched across the skin during application. To prevent this, apply electrodes from centre outward; avoid stretching over the skin.
5. To minimize "pulling stress", tape extra lengths of lead wires to the skin in a loop to prevent tugging on electrodes.
6. When removing electrodes, always remove by pulling in the direction of hair growth.
7. It may be helpful to rub skin lotion on electrode placement area when not wearing electrodes.
8. Never apply electrodes over irritated or broken skin.

## **Chapter 19: APPLICATION OF RE-USABLE SELF ADHESIVE ELECTRODES**

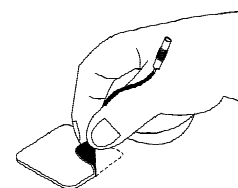
### **Application**

1. Clean and dry the skin at the prescribed area thoroughly with soap and water prior to application of electrodes.
2. Insert the lead wire into the pin connector on the pre-wired electrodes.
3. Remove the electrodes from the protective liner and apply the electrodes firmly to the treatment site. Make sure that the unit is turned off prior to applying the electrodes.

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### **Removal**

1. Turn off the unit prior to removing the electrodes.
2. Lift at the edge of electrodes and peel; do not pull on the lead wires because it may damage the electrodes.
3. Place the electrodes on the 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.
2. It may be helpful to improve repeated application by spreading a few drops of cold water over the adhesive and turn the surface up to air dry. Over Saturation with water will reduce the adhesive properties.

### **Important**

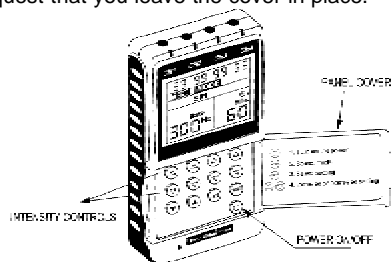
1. Do not apply to broken skin.
2. The electrodes should be discarded and re-ordered from your physician when they are no longer adhering.
3. The electrodes are intended for single patient use only.
4. If irritation occurs, discontinue use and consult your physician.
5. Read the instructions for use of self-adhesive electrodes before application.

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## Chapter 20 : ADJUSTING THE CONTROLS

### 1. Panel Cover:

A lid covers the controls for selecting mode and adjusting settings. Your medical professional may wish to set these controls for you and request that you leave the cover in place.



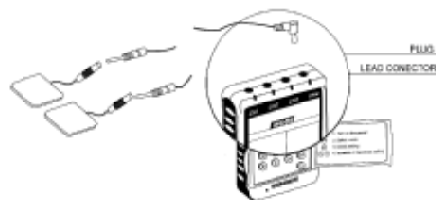
### 2. Power On/Off Controls and Intensity Controls:

Power of the unit can be turned on by pressing the power control. The intensity level can be increased or decreased by pressing the intensity controls. Intensity level can be adjusted in 100 steps linearly.

There are 4 leds on the top of unit showing the output of electrical current. They will be light up when there is output.

### 3. Lead Connector

Connection of the electrodes is made with the four-lead connector (lead wires). The device must be switched off before connecting the cables. Electrodes must be pressed firmly on the skin.



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### 4. Mode Control

There are 5 TENS modes(B, N, M, SD1, SD2) and 2 EMS modes (S, A) available. The mode can be selected by pressing the “Mode” control. When a TENS mode is selected, the LCD shows “TENS” on the top. When EMS mode is selected, the LCD shows “EMS” on the top.

### 5. Set Control

By pressing the “Set” control, you may enter the setting you intend to make adjustment. You may start to set the value by pressing the “Increment” and “Decrement” controls when the value is flashing.

### 6. Increment Control

This button controls the increase of settings. When pressing this button, the parameter will increase.

### 7. Decrement Control

This button controls the decrease of parameter. When pressing this button, the parameter will decrease.

### 8. Timer

The unit has a timer of 1-60 minutes and Continuous. It can be adjusted by pressing the “Set” and “Increment” or “Decrement” controls. The treatment time will countdown automatically in one minute increments. Its output will be shut off when time is up.

### 9. Low Battery Indicator

A low battery sign will show up on the liquid crystal display when it needs to be replaced as soon as possible. The unit may continue to operate for a few more hours depends on the setting intensity level.

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#### 10. Steps to Set a TENS Program

The settings can be adjusted according to the following steps.

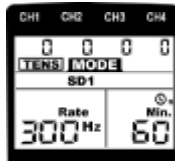
##### a. Turn on the power

After the electrodes are placed firmly on skin and the lead wires are plugged in the socket of device, turn the on/off control clockwise. The menu will reveal on LCD. Notice the indication of power and function on the LCD.

##### b. Select a Mode

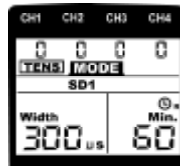
Select a mode by pressing the "Mode" control. The mode you selected will show up on the top of liquid crystal display. There are 5 modes of your option including –B(Burst), M(Normal), M (Modulation), SD1 and SD2. When a TENS mode is selected, it shows "TENS" on the top of liquid crystal display.

After a mode is selected, always press "Set" to enter next setting, and press "Increment" or "Decrement" to adjust its value.



##### c. Set Pulse Width

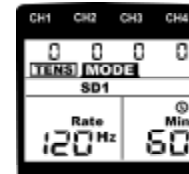
Pulse Width is adjustable from 50 uS to 300 uS. Press "SET" control to enter this menu, then press "Increment" or "Decrement" to adjust the setting. If no instructions regarding the pulse width are given in therapy, set the control to the suggested 70-120 uS setting.



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##### d. Set Pulse Rate

Pulse rate is adjustable from 2Hz to 150 Hz . Press "SET" control to enter this menu, then press "Increment" or "Decrement" to adjust the setting. Unless otherwise instructed, turn the pulse rate control to the 70-120 Hz range.

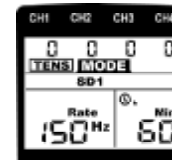


##### e. Set Timer

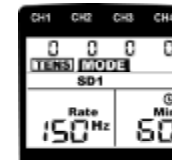
There are two adjustable timers available. The left timer controlling the treatment time of CH1 and CH2.

The right timer controlling the treatment time of CH3 & CH4. The treatment time is adjustable from 1 to 60 minutes or C (Continuous). Press "SET" control to enter this menu, then press "Increment" or "Decrement" to adjust the setting.

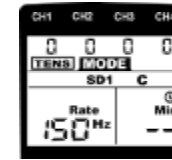
Press "Increment" control when the timer shows 60 minutes, it will be switched to continuous stimulation. Two timers can be set in the same way.



Left Timer



Right Timer



Continuous

#### 11. Steps to Set a EMS Program

The settings can be adjusted according to the following steps.

##### f. Turn on the Power

After the electrodes are placed firmly on skin and the lead wires are plugged in the socket of device, press the ON/OFF

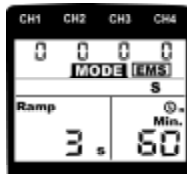
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button. The menu will reveal on LCD. Notice the indication of power and function on the LCD.

g. Select Mode

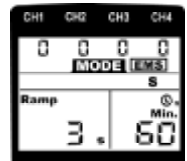
There are three EMS modes of option, C(Constant) S (Synchronous) or A Alternate). Select a mode by pressing the "Mode" control. When an EMS mode is selected, the LCD shows "EMS" on the top.

After a mode is selected, press "SET" control to enter next setting. You may adjust the setting only when it is flashing. Then press the "Increment" or "Decrement" control to change the settings.



h. Set Ramp Time

The ramp time controls the time of output current that increase from 0 to the setting level, and from the setting value to 0. When the ramp time is set, each contraction may be ramped up and down in order that the signals come on and come off gradually and smoothly. The ramp time is adjustable from 1 to 8 seconds.

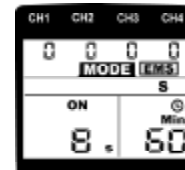


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i. Set On Time

The On Time controls the time of stimulation. By pressing the "Set" control, the contraction time can be adjusted. Both channels' stimulation is cycled on and off by the contraction and relaxation settings. The range is adjustable from 2 seconds to 90 seconds.

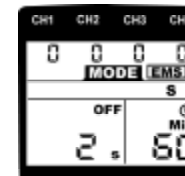
As the "ON" time including the ramp up and ramp down time, the setting of it should be no less than two times of the "Ramp" time. (ON TIME  $\geq$  Ramp up + Ramp down)



j. Set Off Time

The Off Time controls the time of relaxation. By pressing the "SET" control, the relaxation time can be adjusted. Both channels' stimulation is cycled on and off by the contraction and relaxation settings. The range is adjustable from 0 second to 90 seconds.

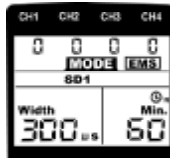
In Alternate mode, the OFF Time should be equal or more than the ON Time. (OFF TIME  $\geq$  ON TIME)



k. Set Pulse Width

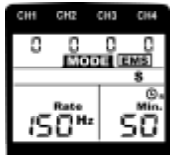
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Pulse Width is adjustable from 50 uS to 300 uS. Press “SET” control to enter this menu, then press “Increment” or “Decrement” to adjust the setting. If no instructions regarding the pulse width are given in therapy, set the control to the suggested 70-120 uS setting.



i. Set Pulse Rate

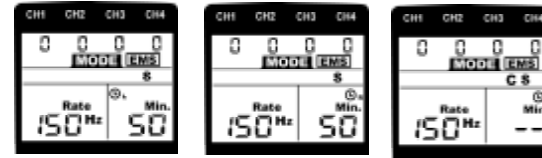
Pulse rate is adjustable from 2Hz to 150 Hz . Press “SET” control to enter this menu, then press “Increment” or “Decrement” to adjust the setting. Unless otherwise instructed, turn the pulse rate control to the 70-120 Hz range.



m. Set Timer

There are two adjustable timers available. The left timer controlling the treatment time of CH1 and CH2. The right timer controlling the treatment time of CH3 & CH4. The treatment time is adjustable from 1 to 60 minutes or C (Continuous). Press “SET” control to enter this menu, then press “Increment” or “Decrement” to adjust the setting. Press “Increment” control when the timer shows 60 minutes, it will be switched to continuous stimulation.

When you use the EMS treatment, the intensity level will flash when it is at “OFF” time (relaxation). The intensity level can not be adjusted until it works again at “ON” time.



Left Timer

Right Timer

Continuous

12. Compliance Meter

This unit can store 60 sets of operation records. Total treatment time up to 999 hours can be stored.

Check & Delete Individual Record

Press “Mode” control and turn on the power simultaneously. The LCD will show the number of records and operation time. Press the “Increment” and “Decrement” button to check each record.



To delete a record, press “SET” control for 3 seconds.

Check & Delete Accumulative Record

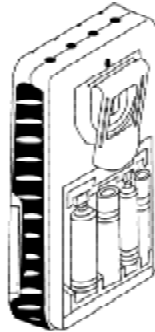
At the individual records menu, press “Mode” control to switch to accumulative record menu. Press the “SET” control first, then press the “Mode” control simultaneously for 3 seconds and all of the records will be deleted followed by a beeper sound.



### 13. Check/Replace the Battery:

Over time, in order to ensure the functional safety of the unit, changing the battery is necessary.

1. Make sure that both intensity controls are switched to off position.
2. Slide the battery compartment cover and open.
3. Remove the battery from the compartment.
4. Insert the battery into the compartment. Note the polarity indicated on the battery and in the compartment.
5. Replace the battery compartment cover and press to close.



## **Chapter 21: BATTERY INFORMATION**

### **PRECAUTIONS**

1. Remove battery if equipment is not likely to be used for some time.
2. Please recycle the used battery in accordance with domestic regulation.
3. Do not throw the used battery into fire.  
If you use rechargeable batteries, please follow the instructions.

### **RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES (NOT INCLUDED)**

Prior to the use of a new unit, the rechargeable battery should be charged according to the battery manufacturer's instructions. Before using the battery charger, read all instructions and cautionary markings on the battery and in this instruction manual.

After being stored for 60 days or more, the batteries may lose their charge. After long periods of storage, batteries should be charged prior to use.

## **BATTERY CHARGING**

- (1) Plug the charger into any working 110 or 220/240v mains electrical outlet. The use of any attachment not supplied with the charger may result in the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons.
- (2) Follow the battery manufacturer's instructions for charging time.
- (3) After the battery manufacturer's recommended charging time has been completed, unplug the charger and remove the battery.
- (4) Batteries should always be stored in a fully charged state.

To ensure optimum battery performance, follow these guidelines:

- (a) Although overcharging the batteries for up to 24 hours will not damage them, repeated overcharging may decrease useful battery life.
- (b) Always store batteries in their charged condition. After a battery has been discharged, recharge it as soon as possible. If the battery is stored more than 60 days, it may need to be recharged.
- (c) Do not short the terminals of the battery. This will cause the battery to get hot and can cause permanent damage. Avoid storing the batteries in your pocket or purse where the terminals may accidentally come into contact with coins, keys or any metal objects.
- (d) WARNINGS:
  1. Do not attempt to charge any other types of batteries in your charger, other than rechargeable batteries made for your charger. Other types of batteries may leak or burst.
  2. Do not incinerate the rechargeable battery as it may explode!

## **Chapter 22 : MAINTENANCE, TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE OF THE DEVICE**

1. Non-flammable cleaning solution is suitable for cleaning the device.  
Note: Do not smoke or work with open lights (for example, candles, etc.) when working with flammable liquids.
2. Stains and spots can be removed with a cleaning agent.

3. Do not submerge the device in liquids or expose it to large amounts of water.
4. Return the device to the carrying box with sponge foam to ensure that the unit is well-protected before transportation.
5. If the device is not to be used for a long period of time, remove the batteries from the battery compartment (acid may leak from used batteries and damage the device). Put the device and accessories in carrying box and keep it in cool dry place.
6. The packed TENS/ EMS device should be stored and transported under the temperature range of -20°C ~ + 60°C, relative humidity 20%~ 95%, atmosphere pressure 500 hPa~ 1060 hPa.

### **Chapter 23: SAFETY-TECHNICAL CONTROLS**

For safety reasons, review the following checklist before using your Twin Stim® Plus Digital TENS/EMS

1. Check the device for external damage.
  - deformation of the housing.
  - damaged or defective output sockets.
2. Check the device for defective operating elements.
  - legibility of inscriptions and labels.
  - make sure the inscriptions and labels are not distorted.
3. Check the usability of accessories.
  - patient cable undamaged.
  - electrodes undamaged.
  - Battery is not corroded

Please consult your distributor if there are any problems with device and accessories.

### **Chapter 24 : MALFUNCTIONS**

Should any malfunctions occur while using the Twin Stim® Plus Digital TENS/EMS, check

- whether the parameters are set to the appropriate form of therapy. Adjust the control correctly.
  - whether the cable is correctly connected to the device. The cables should be inserted completely into the sockets.
  - whether the LCD reveals the menu. If necessary, insert a new battery.
  - for possible damage to the cable. Change the cable if any damage is detected.
- \* If there is any other problem, please return the device to your distributor. Do not try to repair a defective device.

### **Chapter 25: CONFORMITY TO SAFETY STANDARDS**

The Twin Stim® Plus Digital TENS/EMS devices are in compliance with the EN 60601-1-2:2001 and EN 60601-1:1990+A1:1993+A2:1995+A13:1996 safety standards.

### **Chapter 26 : WARRANTY**

All Twin Stim® Plus Digital TENS/EMS models carry a warranty of one year from the date of delivery. The warranty applies to the stimulator only and covers both parts and labour relating thereto.

The warranty does not apply to damage resulting from failure to follow the operating instructions, accidents, abuse, alteration or disassembly by unauthorized personnel.

