

## SPECIFICATIONS

Size: 140 mm x 173 mm x 135 mm, Weight 2.8 kg (without chamber fitted)  
3.1 kg (chamber fitted and filled with water)

## ELECTRICAL RATINGS

Supply Frequency: 50/60 Hz, Voltage: 230V~  
Supply current: 1.0 A max at 230 V~  
Power Input: 220 VA, Heater Plate: 150W  
Heater Wire: 22±5 V~, 2.73 A, 60 W, 50/60 Hz  
Heater Plate over temperature cut out: 118 ± 6 °C  
IEC 60601-1 Classification Class I, Type BF, IPX1

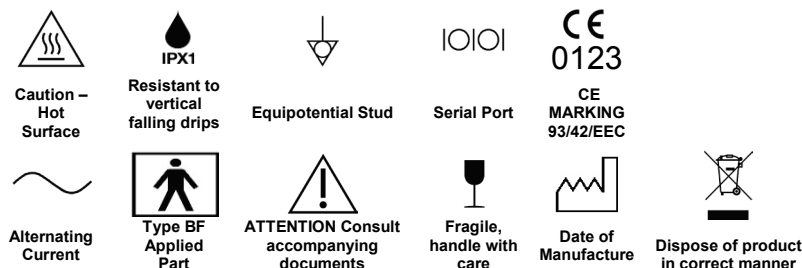
## TEMPERATURE CONTROL SETTINGS

Invasive Mode: Chamber outlet: 35.5 - 37 °C, Airway 35 - 40 °C  
Noninvasive Mode: Chamber outlet: 31 °C, Airway 28 - 34 °C  
Display: Three digit 14 mm 7 segment LED  
(not visible during normal operation)  
Range: 10 - 70 °C, Accuracy: ± 0.3 °C (in 25 - 45 °C range)

## ALARM PARAMETERS

High Humidity Alarm: An immediate, audible alarm at a displayed temperature of 41 °C or if the airway temperature exceeds 43 °C  
Low Humidity Alarm: An audible alarm between 10 minutes @ 29.5 °C, and 60 minutes @ 34.5 °C (Invasive Mode only)  
Sound Pressure Level: Alarms exceed 50 dBA @ 1 m

## SYMBOL DEFINITIONS:



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## WARNING

Ensure that invasive mode is set for patients that have bypassed airways.  
The use of breathing circuits, chambers or other accessories which are NOT approved by Fisher & Paykel Healthcare may impair performance or compromise safety.  
Check equipment (including cord) for damage before use and replace if damaged.  
Ensure appropriate ventilator alarms are set, connections are tight and a leak test is completed before use.  
Ensure that both temperature probe sensors are correctly and securely fitted. Failure to do so may result in temperatures in excess of 41 °C being delivered to the patient.  
Do not touch the glass tip of the chamber temperature probe during use. Keep electrical connectors dry at all times.  
Ensure maintenance of grounding integrity by connection to a "hospital grade" or equivalent receptacle. Always disconnect supply before cleaning or servicing.  
Ensure that the humidifier is always positioned lower than the patient.  
Ensure the HC550 is used with adequate levels of patient observation and monitoring as directed by a qualified medical professional.  
The operation of high frequency surgical apparatus, short wave or microwave equipment in the vicinity of the humidifier may adversely affect its function. If this occurs the humidifier should be removed from the vicinity of such devices.  
This device is not suitable for use in the presence of flammable anaesthetic mixes or nitrous oxide.  
Remove any sources of ignition: such as cigarettes, an open flame, or materials which burn or ignite easily at high oxygen concentrations.  
Keep oxygen regulators, cylinder valves, tubing, connections and all other oxygen equipment away from oil, grease, or greasy substances. Spontaneous and violent ignition may occur if these substances come into contact with oxygen under pressure.  
Hot surfaces may exceed 75°C  
Do not fill chamber with water in excess of 37°C.

### The Following Accessories are required:

Humidifier Chamber (e.g.: MR290)  
Breathing Circuit: (e.g.: RT Series circuits)  
Temperature Probe (e.g.: 900MR869)  
Heater Wire adaptor (e.g.: 900MR805)  
Mounting Bracket (to suit ventilator)  
Choice will depend on application. Please contact your local F&P Healthcare representative for recommendations. Refer to operating instructions for each accessory.



## Indications for Use

The HC550 respiratory humidifier is used to warm and humidify gases delivered to patients requiring mechanical ventilation, positive pressure breathing assistance, or other medical gases.

INSTRUCTION SHEET  
DO NOT DISCARD

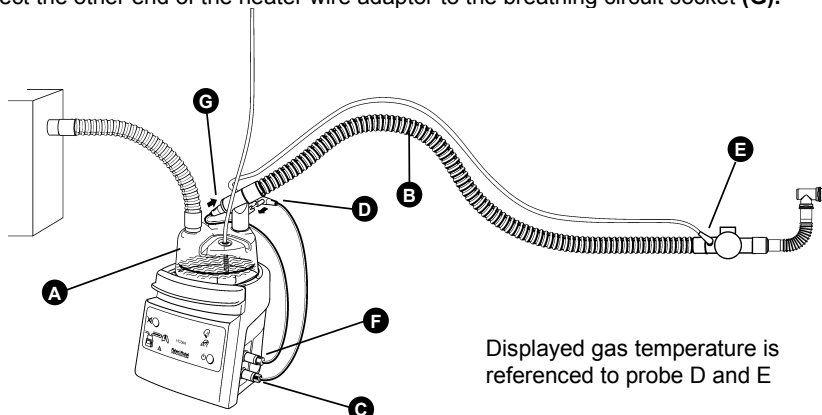
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# HC550 RESPIRATORY HUMIDIFIER

PLEASE READ OPERATING INSTRUCTION WARNINGS  
BEFORE SETTING UP THE HC550

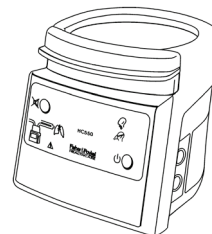
## SET UP

- Slide humidification chamber (A) onto humidifier base and connect breathing circuit (B) (refer to humidification chamber and breathing circuit operating instructions for further details).
- Connect the temperature probe plug (C) (REF 900MR86X) to the blue socket on the humidifier base until an audible click is heard.
- Push the chamber probe (D) and airway probe (E) into the breathing circuit. Make sure the chamber probe is correctly located in its key-way and that both probes are pushed home. The probe lead can be restrained using breathing circuit clips.
- Connect the heater wire adaptor plug (F) (REF 900MR8XX) to the yellow socket on the humidifier base until an audible click is heard.
- Connect the other end of the heater wire adaptor to the breathing circuit socket (G).



- The humidification system is now set up and ready for use. After power on, the humidifier will operate in the last mode setting. Ensure that invasive mode is set for patients that have bypassed airways.

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## TRANSPORT AND STORAGE

Temperature and Humidity: -10 to 50 °C, 10 to 95% Relative Humidity (noncondensing)

## OPERATING CONDITIONS

Recommended ambient Temperature range: 18 to 28 °C  
Recommended ambient Humidity range: 10 to 95% Relative Humidity  
Humidity Performance: Invasive Mode: > 33 mg/L, maximum 40 L/min flow.  
Noninvasive Mode: > 10 mg/L, maximum 120 L/min flow.  
Refer to breathing circuit specifications for minimum flow

**CAUTION:** Humidity performance can be compromised outside of the specified ambient temperature range  
Maximum Operating Pressure: Refer to chamber and breathing circuit specifications  
Warm-up time: < 30 minutes  
Mode of Operation: Continuous

## ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY:

The device complies with the electromagnetic compatibility requirements of IEC60601-1-2. In certain circumstances the device may affect or be affected by nearby portable mobile radio frequency communication equipment, due to the effects of electromagnetic interference. If this should happen, try moving your device or the location of the equipment causing interference, or alternatively consult your healthcare provider.

## DISPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS:

### HC550 disposal Instructions

This device contains electronics. Please do not discard as regular rubbish. Dispose of electronics according to local guidelines.

### Consumable Disposal Instructions

Place the breathing tube and water chamber in a rubbish bag at the end of use and discard according to hospital protocol or local guidelines.

## DIAGNOSTIC PORT

The diagnostic port is not intended for use during operation - Factory use only. Equipment connected to the port must comply with safety standard IEC60950 for Computers.

## CLEANING:

The HC550 Respiratory Humidifier is a multiple patient multiple use device and cleaning should be performed as required. Disconnect from electrical supply and clean with a damp cloth using either normal dishwashing detergent or Isopropyl alcohol. Wipe clear of cleaning residue before use. **CAUTION: DO NOT** immerse humidifier or probe connectors in liquid. **DO NOT** autoclave probes. Using any other cleaning solutions or methods may cause damage.

## ROUTINE MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING:

Refer maintenance and servicing to qualified service personnel. A full technical description including routine maintenance and service data is contained in the Technical Manual which is available from your supplier or Fisher & Paykel Healthcare (REF 185043659).

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## MANUFACTURER

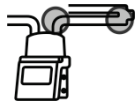
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## OPERATION

### MUTE

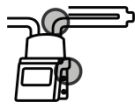
The mute button silences the humidifier's audible alarm for at least two minutes. The muted time depends on the alarm condition and the severity of its cause.

### SET-UP INDICATORS



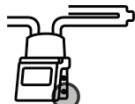
#### Chamber & Airway Probes

Lights if either the chamber probe or the airway probe is not inserted into the breathing circuit correctly.



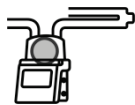
#### Heater Wire

Lights if the heater wire adaptor or breathing circuit has not been connected, or is damaged.



#### Temperature Probe

Lights if the temperature probe is not correctly plugged into the HC550, or the probe is faulty.



#### Water Out

Lights when there is insufficient water in the chamber. Check water supply. Maximum time to alarm of 20 minutes.



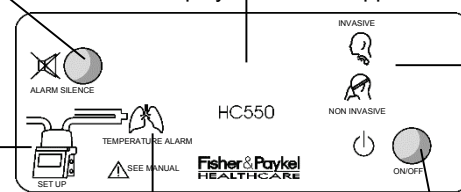
#### See Manual

The humidifier and all accessories should be immediately replaced and sent for servicing.

## TEMPERATURE DISPLAY

During normal operation the display temperature is not visible. When the high temperature alarm activates the display shows the saturated gas temperature delivered to the patient (the lower of the airway and chamber temperatures in °C).

By pushing and holding the mute button for one second, the chamber outlet temperature is displayed and then the airway temperature is shown. The display will then disappear.



### LOW TEMPERATURE ALARM

An audible alarm and flashing indicator are given for saturated gas temperatures of **35.5 °C or lower** (invasive mode only). Caused by cold/draughty conditions or very high or low gas flows.

If the circumstances causing the low humidity alarm cannot be changed then the audible alarm acts as a reminder that the patient is receiving inadequate humidity and may require further intervention to maintain airway clearance.

### HIGH TEMPERATURE ALARM

A flashing temperature display showing **41 °C or higher** or if the **airway temperature exceeds 43 °C**. The humidifier will discontinue heating of the chamber and circuit until the temperature decreases to within normal limits.

## MODES

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### Invasive Mode

This mode is for patients with bypassed airways. The humidifier delivers gas as close to body temperature saturated (37 °C, 44 mg/L) as possible.

Under cold or draughty conditions the chamber temperature may drop as low as 35.5 °C in order to maintain a dry breathing circuit.



### Noninvasive Mode

This mode is for patients receiving face mask therapy, and delivers a comfortable level of humidity.

### Changing mode

The mode of operation should only be changed by a qualified healthcare professional via the diagnostic menu as explained in the technical manual (REF 185043659).

### ON/OFF BUTTON

The humidifier will power ON if this button is held down briefly, but must be held down for one second to turn the humidifier off.