TEExi Transducer

User Guide
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Introduction

The TEExi transducer is a transesophageal echocardiographic transducer designed to operate with the FUJIFILM SonoSite M-Turbo, SonoSite S Series, or SonoSite Edge II ultrasound system.

Transesophageal procedures carry a variety of inherent risks to the patient. The information and instructions in this user guide are intended to help you minimize those risks. In addition, the TEExi transducer is a highly complex and delicate precision instrument. Misuse or poor handling may severely shorten the service life.

**WARNING**

To help avoid conditions that may cause harm to the patient or damage to the transducer, it is important that personnel using or handling this transducer read and understand the instructions, warnings, cautions, and training material contained in this user guide. If you have questions about any of the information contained in this user guide, contact FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative.

About the user guide

This user guide provides information on the TEExi transducer. It is designed for a reader familiar with ultrasound and proper endoscopic techniques; it does not provide training in sonography, cardiology, echocardiography, or clinical practices. For information about the ultrasound system, see its user guide and other appropriate literature.

To aid in safeguarding the patient and ensuring reliable transducer operation, FUJIFILM SonoSite recommends having this user guide available for reference during all stages of TEExi transducer handling, and refer to guidelines from the American Society of Echocardiography for Point of Care TEE and the Academy of Emergency Physicians.
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## Conventions

The user guide follows these conventions:

- A **WARNING** describes precautions necessary to prevent injury or loss of life.
- A **Caution** describes precautions necessary to protect the products.
- A **Note** provides supplemental information.
- Numbered steps in procedures must be performed in order.
- Single-step procedures begin with .
- Items in bulleted lists do not require performance in sequence.

For labeling symbols used, see the ultrasound system user guide.

## Warranty statement

The TEExi transducer is warranted for material and workmanship only, for a period of 12 months from date of shipment from FUJIFILM SonoSite.

The warranty does not cover damage caused by patient bite, misuse by the end user, disinfecting incorrectly or with chemicals not approved by FUJIFILM SonoSite, or circumstances beyond what is considered normal for the product’s intended application.
Technical support

To order sheaths, bite guards, tip covers, and other supplies, see www.civco.com.

For technical support, contact FUJIFILM SonoSite as follows.

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Getting Started

About the TEExi transducer

**WARNINGS**

- FUJIFILM SonoSite does not recommend the use of high-frequency electromedical devices in proximity to its systems. FUJIFILM SonoSite equipment has not been validated for use with high-frequency electrosurgical devices or procedures. Use of high-frequency electrosurgical devices in proximity to its systems may lead to abnormal system behavior or shutdown of the system.

- To avoid the risk of a burn hazard, do not use the transducer with high-frequency surgical equipment. Such a hazard may occur in the event of a defect in the high-frequency surgical neutral electrode connection.

- To avoid injury to a patient, the TEExp transducer is intended for use by a medical professional who has received appropriate training in endoscopic techniques as dictated by current relevant medical practices, as well as in proper operation of the ultrasound system and transducer. Adhere to the standards and protocols from the American Society of Echocardiography for Point of Care TEE and the American College of Emergency Physicians.

**Caution**

To avoid inadvertent damage to the transducer, read this user guide before handling and cleaning the TEExi transducer.

The TEExi transducer is an electronically steered phased array ultrasound transducer assembly, mounted in a sealed tip at the end of a conventional endoscope.

The TEExi transducer is used to generate a set of ultrasound images or slices within a cone from the same position in the esophagus. The rotation of the scan plane is driven by a motor in the control handle.
Intended uses

The TEExi transducer is designed for 2D, M Mode, color Doppler (Color), pulsed wave (PW) Doppler, and continuous wave (CW) Doppler imaging by applying ultrasound energy through the esophagus or stomach of the patient into the heart. The TEExi transducer is intended to be used on adults only. Backscattered ultrasound energy from the patient’s heart forms images of the heart to detect abnormalities in structure or motion, to evaluate the velocity of blood flowing within the heart, and to obtain a color depiction of the velocities of blood flowing in the heart.

Contraindications

**WARNING** The physician must consider all possible factors before starting the examination.

Contraindications for using the TEExi transducer include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Fetal imaging
- Pediatric imaging
- Imaging when the patient exhibits the following or similar conditions:
  - Esophageal stricture, spasms, lacerations, and trouble swallowing (dysphagia)
  - Esophageal diverticula, esophageal varices (swollen veins)
  - Gastrointestinal bleeding
  - Peptic ulcers, hiatal hernia, esophageal webs and rings
  - Recent radiation treatment to the esophagus
  - Inability to swallow or accommodate the transducer
  - History of gastroesophageal diseases

Unpacking

Proper care and maintenance are essential. Follow the unpacking procedures. Contact FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative immediately to report any damage or discrepancies.

**WARNING** To avoid injury to patient/operator, carefully inspect all equipment after receipt and prior to each use.

To unpack the transducer

1. Visually examine the shipping box, shipping case, and the TEExi transducer for any damage.
2 Note any breakage or other apparent damage, retain the evidence, and notify the carrier or shipping agency.

3 Verify that the shipping case contains the components listed on the packing list:
   - TEExi transducer
   - TEExi Transducer User Guide
   - TEE Transducer Care (contains cleaning and disinfection instructions)
   - Puncture test tool
   - Bite guards/blocks (3)
   - Non-sterile tip covers (3)

![Image of shipping case with TEExi transducer](image)

**Figure 2-1** Shipping case with TEExi transducer

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**WARNING**

To avoid injury to patient:

- Proper care, maintenance, and a detailed understanding of the procedure are essential for safe operation of the TEExi transducer.
- The medical professional performing the exam must exercise sound medical judgment in selecting this transducer for use in a procedure.

**Cautions**

- To avoid permanently damaging the transducer’s internal control wires, do not manually flex the tip in any direction. Use the control wheels only for this purpose.
- To avoid inadvertent damage to the transducer, read this user guide before handling and cleaning the TEExi transducer.
Inspecting contents

- After unpacking the contents, perform the following on the TEExi transducer:
  - Visual and tactile inspection. See “To visually and tactiley inspect the transducer” on page 2-6.
  - Tip flexion inspection. See “To inspect tip flexion” on page 2-8.
  - Lock inspection. See “To inspect the tip flexion lock” on page 2-9.
  - Scan plane rotation inspection. See “To inspect scan plane rotation” on page 2-11.
  - Leakage test. See “Testing the transducer for electrical leakage” on page 4-5.

Contact FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative immediately to report any damage or discrepancies. See “Technical support” on page 1-3.

**WARNING** To avoid injury to the patient, do not use the TEExi transducer if any irregularity, substandard function or unsafe condition is observed or suspected.
Transducer and system interface

The TEExi transducer consists of an electronically steered phased array ultrasound transducer assembly mounted in a sealed tip at the end of a conventional endoscope. It connects to the ultrasound system with a cable and connector (see Figure 2-2).

Figure 2-2  TEExi transducer:

1  Flexible endoscopic shaft
2  Articulation section
3  Transducer tip with scan head
4  Anterior/posterior flexion lock
5  Flexion control wheels
6  Neutral marker
7  Transducer cable
8  Transducer connector
9  Scan plane control buttons
10 Attachment ring
11 Handle
**TEExi transducer controls**

The endoscope is designed for one-hand operation of the flexion and scan plane controls. Figure 2-3 shows the user holding the endoscope handle in the left hand. Thumb and first and second fingers operate the flexion and scan plane controls.

Check the mechanical operation and physical integrity of the transducer after taking it out of the box and before each exam.

![Transducer in left hand](image)

**Figure 2-3 Transducer in left hand**

**WARNING** To avoid injury to the patient:

- Do not use the TEExi transducer if any irregularity, substandard function or unsafe condition is observed or suspected.
- Do not use the TEExi transducer if any metallic protrusions, holes, rough spots, cracks, or dents are found.

**To visually and tactiley inspect the transducer**

You should inspect the TEExi transducer visually and tactiley after taking it out of the box and before disinfecting.

1. Visually examine and feel the entire surface of the flexible shaft and flexion section with the transducer in both straight and flexed position.
2. Examine the transducer tip for any holes or dents.
Tip flexion

The TEExi transducer handle has two wheels for controlling the transducer tip flexion.

The wheels control anterior/posterior and left/right tip flexion. Figure 2–4 shows the wheels in the neutral (unflexed) position. The lower wheel controls the anterior/posterior flexion of the tip. You can lock this control into position. The upper wheel controls the left/right flexion of the probe tip, and cannot be locked.

Always have the probe in a neutral, unlocked position during insertion and removal of the transducer.

**Caution**  To avoid damaging the transducer, do not flex the distal tip of the transducer by direct application of force. Use the flexion wheels for this task.

Figure 2–4  Flexion controls. For orientation purposes, hold the transducer pointing away with control wheels up and the flexible shaft in a straight position.

1 Turn upper wheel counterclockwise to move the tip to the left.
2 Turn upper wheel clockwise to move the tip to the right.
3 Turn lower wheel counterclockwise to move the tip posterior.
4 Turn lower wheel clockwise to move the tip anterior.
To inspect tip flexion

Inspect the tip flexion on the TEExi transducer after taking it out of the box and before each exam. For orientation purposes, hold the transducer pointing away with control wheels up and the flexible shaft in a straight position.

1. Flex the tip in all four directions.
2. Confirm that the flexion controls operate smoothly.
3. Check that when the flexion controls are in the neutral position that the transducer tip is also in a neutral position (unflexed).

**Tip flexion lock**

To retain the tip in a flexed position, friction can be applied to the anterior/posterior flexion control.

The lock for anterior/posterior flexion is a handle located under the lower control wheel (see Figure 2-5). There is no lock for left/right deflection.

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**Figure 2-5** Tip deflection brake operation

1. Transducer tip
2. Tip control in unlocked position
3. Neutral position marker
4. Wheel position markers
5. Wheel position markers
To inspect the tip flexion lock

Inspect the tip flexion lock on the transducer after taking it out of the box and before each exam.

1. Confirm that the lock control is in the unlocked position.
2. Deflect the tip to the anterior direction.
3. Move the lock control to the locked position.
4. Confirm that the tip is locked in the deflected position.
5. Unlock the control and confirm that the tip straightens easily.
6. Repeat steps 1-5 for the posterior direction.

Scan plane rotation

To familiarize yourself with scan plane rotation, you may choose to start scanning in one of the transverse planes — for example, 0° on the system screen is the standard monoplane. If you rotate the scan plane 90°, you are now scanning in the longitudinal plane, sweeping through two opposite quadrants of the cone.

If you continue to rotate the scan plane another 90° in the same direction, scanning occurs in the mirror image of the first transverse plane. The only two planes that are equivalent are the two transverse planes at 0° and 180°, one being the mirror image of the other. As shown in Figure 2-6, a 180° rotation of the scan plane fills all four quadrants of the conic imaging volume.

Figure 2-6 Rotating to different imaging planes
The scan plane rotation is driven by a motor in the transducer handle and is controlled by buttons on the handle (see Figure 2-7).

Figure 2-7  Scan plane rotation controls

1  Transducer tip
2  Counterclockwise button (increases angle)
3  Biplane button (rotates angle to orthogonal biplane)
4  Clockwise button (decreases angle)

A scan plane indicator on the system screen shows the orientation. The scan plane angle is indicated by a marker and a value (see Figure 2-8). The screen shows the angle relative to the standard monoplane, displayed as 0°. The scan plane angle ranges from 0° to 180°.

Figure 2-8  Scan plane indicator

Caution  To avoid damaging the transducer connector, protect the connector from dirt and moisture.

To initialize the scan plane to 0 degree plane

1  Connect the transducer, and turn on the ultrasound system. (For instructions, see the ultrasound system user guide.)
2  Press the scan plane rotation buttons.

To rotate the scan plane

Press the outer buttons on the transducer handle:
The button closest to the transducer tip rotates the scan plane counterclockwise (scan plane angle increases).

The button farthest from the transducer tip rotates the scan plane clockwise (scan plane angle decreases).

Full rotation of the imaging plane can be rotated forward from the standard transverse 0° plane to 180° (mirror image of the standard transverse plane). You can then rotate backward from 180° back to 0°. You may need small incremental degree changes to optimize your view. Note the on-screen display of your current rotations and degree settings.

**To change the biplane**

- Press the biplane button (the center button) on the transducer handle. See Figure 2-7 on page 2-10.

  The scan plane rotates at full speed from the current position 90° to the orthogonal position. (For example, if the present position is 22°, the scan plane rotates to 112°. If the present position is 162°, the scan plane rotates to 72°.)

  Pressing the button again rotates the scan plane back to the previous position.

**To inspect scan plane rotation**

Inspect the scan plane rotation on the transducer after taking it out of the box and before each exam.

1 Connect the TEExi transducer to the ultrasound system.

2 Without inserting the transducer, place a small amount of sterile gel on the transducer, and then turn up the gain to obtain an image.

3 Press the scan plane control buttons on the handle to rotate the scan plane counterclockwise (0° to 180°) and clockwise (180° to 0°). See Figure 2-7 on page 2-10.

4 Confirm that the image on-screen changes in relation to the numbers on the scan plane indicator. See Figure 2-8 on page 2-10.

While you press the scan plane rotation buttons, the transducer motor should be running as the image is changing.

**Note**  Do not rely only on the scan plane indicator on-screen to verify that the scan plane is rotating.
Examination

TEE is a semi-invasive procedure that offers improved image access to the heart and surrounding vessels due to the close proximity to the heart from the esophagus. Careful consideration for its use should be made by the examining physician. Follow ASE, SCA, and ACEP guidelines. The list of contraindications and considerations do not constitute a complete list of all possible factors the examining physician must consider before starting the examination. They are presented only as examples. See “Contraindications” on page 2-2.

WARNINGS

- To avoid trauma to the patient’s stomach or esophagus, do not use excessive force during insertion, positioning, or withdrawal.
- To prevent damage to the patient’s esophagus when inserting or withdrawing the transducer, the control wheel must be in the freely moving, neutral, and unlocked state. See Figure 2-5 on page 2-8.

Pre-exam inspection

It is important to establish and use a check-out procedure to ensure that the transducer is safe to use and functions properly prior to each use. If you observe or suspect any irregularity, substandard functioning, or unsafe condition, do not use the TEEXi transducer. Call FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative immediately.

Perform the following before each exam:

- Visual tactile inspection. See “To visually and tactiley inspect the transducer” on page 2-6.
- Tip flexion inspection. See “To inspect tip flexion” on page 2-8.
- Lock inspection. See “To inspect the tip flexion lock” on page 2-9.
- Scan plane rotation inspection. See “To inspect scan plane rotation” on page 2-11.
Low-voltage electrical leakage test. See “Testing the transducer for electrical leakage” on page 4-5.

Clean and disinfect transducer. See “Transducer Care” on page 4-1.

Contact FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative to report any damage or discrepancies. See “Technical support” on page 1-3.

To avoid injury to the patient:

- FUJIFILM SonoSite recommends performing the above procedures prior to each exam.
- Do not use the transducer if any metallic protrusions, holes, rough spots, cracks, or dents are found.
- If during the flexion test a sharp “U-turn” of the transducer tip is observed (the transducer tip angle exceeds the maximum flexion angles), do not use the transducer. Call FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative.
- Some gels and sterilants can cause an allergic reaction in some individuals.

Precautions

Techniques for introducing the TEExi transducer into the patient are beyond the scope of the user guide. Guidelines for training and procedural protocols are set forth by the American Society of Echocardiograph and the American Academy of Emergency Physicians. A complete understanding of the risks and complications, along with optimal training are recommended to perform this procedure.

Observe the following precautionary measures when conducting an exam:

- Maintaining an unobstructed airway is a prime consideration for all patients.
- Prolonged pressure on the esophagus by the tip of the transducer may lead to a pressure necrosis condition. Thus, in operating room monitoring applications, the tip should be removed from the esophagus wall when not scanning, by releasing it in the neutral position. If continuous monitoring is required, the transducer tip should be repositioned often.
- Long term exposure to ultrasound should be minimized. Although there have never been any bioeffects demonstrated at the acoustic output levels of the TEExi transducer, it is prudent to minimize patient exposure to ultrasound according to the principle of ALARA (As Low As Reasonably Achievable). Please see the ultrasound system user guide.
- In consideration of the above two points, you should freeze the image, which turns off the power to the transducer, and allow the endoscope deflection controls to be disengaged whenever active scanning is not desired.
- Proper patient preparation is essential for successful examinations. Refer to guidelines.
The use of a bite guard/block during all TEExi examinations is mandatory to protect the transducer from possible damage.

The use of protective gloves during the examination is encouraged. Please see the U.S. Food and Drug Administration’s Medical Alert on Latex Products (FDA 1991).

In addition to the high level disinfection, a protective sheath may provide even greater protection against contamination of the transducer. Contact CIVCO for protective sheaths and applicators for protective sheaths.

**Bite guard/block**

| Caution | To avoid damaging the transducer, use a bite guard during all TEExi examinations. Biting the endoscope may cause severe, permanent damage to the transducer, making it unsafe for future patient use. Damage to the transducer from failure to use a bite guard voids the transducer warranty. |

Use of a bite guard is mandatory for TEExi transducers. Each TEExi transducer from FUJIFILM SonoSite is delivered with three bite guards. For patients with dentures, you must still use a bite guard. Remove the dentures before placing the bite guard in the patient’s mouth. After removal of dentures, place the bite guard with the soft syrofoam cover still on for patient comfort. If you need help ordering more bite guards, contact CIVCO Medical Solutions.

Re-use, cleaning, and sterilization of the bite guards should be done according to instructions provided by the manufacturer of the bite guard.

![Figure 3-1 Bite guard: Side view (left) and front view (right)](image)
Sterile sheath

Use a sterile sheath whenever examining a patient that poses an isolation risk.

There are various sterile sheaths available to eliminate direct contact between the patient and the endoscope. Follow the user instructions for a particular sheath when applying and removing the sheath from the TEExi transducer. Contact CIVCO to order sterile sheaths and applicators.

Caution
To avoid damaging the TEExi transducer, ensure that its tip is straight during application and removal of the sheath. During removal of the sheath, be careful not to use excessive force on the transducer tip; otherwise permanent damage to the TEExi transducer may occur.

To provide suitable acoustic coupling within the sheath, FUJIFILM SonoSite recommends using a sterile gel.

To install a transducer sheath

Note
FUJIFILM SonoSite recommends the use of market-cleared, transducer sheaths for intracavitary applications. To lessen the risk of contamination, install the sheath only when you are ready to perform the procedure.

1 Place gel inside the sheath.
2 Insert the transducer into the sheath.
3 Pull the sheath over the transducer and cable until the sheath is fully extended.
4 Secure the sheath by taping it to the transducer housing.
5 Check for and eliminate bubbles between the footprint of the transducer and the sheath.
   Any bubbles between the footprint of the transducer and the sheath can affect the ultrasound image.
6 Inspect the sheath to ensure that there are no holes or tears.

Emergency retraction

If the transducer tip should get jammed in a deflected position inside the patient and if all attempts to release the flexed tip should fail, follow the procedure To retract the transducer to assure a safe retraction of the transducer.

To retract the transducer

1 Disconnect the transducer from the ultrasound system.
2 At an accessible location between the transducer handle and the patient, cut the entire endoscope shaft, including all internal wiring, using heavy duty cutting pliers or another suitable tool.
   The flexion mechanism is now released and the transducer may be safely retracted.
Transducer Care

The TEExi transducer is categorized as semi-critical in the Spaulding classification system, and must be cleaned, tested for electrical leakage, and disinfected after each exam. Follow guidelines from the American Society of Echocardiography and the Academy of Emergency Physicians for probe cleaning, disinfection, and electrical leakage testing prior to each use.

Before getting started

- Follow the disinfectant manufacturer’s recommendations regarding appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), such as protective eyewear and gloves.
- Inspect the transducer to determine that it is free of any unacceptable deterioration or damage that could lead to fluid leaking into the endoscopic shaft and exposing the patient to an electrical current. If damage is evident, discontinue use, and contact FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative.
- Confirm that cleaning and disinfecting materials are appropriate for your facility’s use. FUJIFILM SonoSite routinely tests cleaners and disinfectants for use with FUJIFILM SonoSite systems and transducers.
- Disinfectants and cleaning methods listed in this chapter are recommended by FUJIFILM SonoSite for efficacy and material compatibility with the products.
- Ensure that the disinfectant type, concentration, and contact time are appropriate for the equipment and application.
- Follow manufacturer recommendations and local regulations, when preparing, using and disposing of chemicals.

**WARNINGS**

- Ensure that cleaners and disinfectants are not expired.
- Some cleaners and disinfectants can cause an allergic reaction in some individuals.
Process overview

For manual cleaning, electrical leakage testing, and disinfecting the transducer, the following workflow is recommended.

If using an automated disinfection process, follow manufacturer procedures.

Table 4-1: Manual workflow

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Transducer components

Some components of the TEExi transducer have different cleaning requirements and restrictions than others. The cleaning, testing, and disinfection procedures frequently refer to specific components of the transducer. See Figure 4-1 for a diagram of the transducer components.
Cleaning the transducer

**WARNING**

Wear the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) recommended by the chemical manufacturer, such as protective eyewear and gloves.

**Cautions**

- Always disconnect the transducer from the system before cleaning. When disconnecting the transducer from the system, follow the steps in the ultrasound system user guide.

- Do not bend the endoscopic shaft smaller than a 20 cm (8 inch) curve. Exceeding this minimum bend diameter can damage the endoscope or its watertight coating.

- Do not use unapproved cleaning agents, such as alcohol or bleach (for example, Sani-Cloth wipes) as these can damage the transducer and void the warranty. For more information about approved cleaning agents, see Table 4-2.

- Do not skip any steps or abbreviate the cleaning and disinfecting process in any way.

Cleaners and disinfectants not listed on FUJIFILM SonoSite's website have not been evaluated for compatibility and may cause damage to the transducer. For approved chemicals, follow the manufacturer’s instructions for concentration, temperature, and duration.

**Table 4-2: Approved cleaners**

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\(^a\)Refer to the manufacturer’s instructions for concentration, temperature, and duration.  
\(^b\)Refer to the cleaners and disinfection tool available at [www.sonosite.com/support/cleaners-disinfectants](http://www.sonosite.com/support/cleaners-disinfectants) for a more complete list of approved cleaners and disinfectants.  
\(^c\)Can be used in the electrical leakage test.
To clean the transducer

1. Immediately after extracting the TEExi from the patient, wipe the cable, controller, endoscopic shaft, and scan head of the transducer with a cloth or wipe moistened with water. Be sure to remove all visible biological material. Do not wipe the connector.

2. At the cleaning station, prepare the cleaner for use:
   - **Check** the expiration date on the bottle to ensure that the cleaner has not expired.
   - **Check** that the cleaner has the concentration recommended by the manufacturer (for example, use a chemical strip test).

3. Secure the control handle so it cannot fall into the cleaning solution, and immerse the endoscopic shaft and scan head in a plastic container filled with enzymatic cleaning solution up to the 90 cm mark (see Figure 4-1 on page 4-2).

4. Soak according to the manufacturer’s instructions.
   - **Caution**: Do not soak the transducer longer than recommended by the chemical manufacturer.
   - **Caution**: Do not immerse the transducer cable, connector, or controller in any fluid.

5. While the endoscope is soaking:
   - **Scrub** the endoscopic shaft for at least three minutes using a soft brush or single-use endoscopic sponge moistened with enzymatic cleaner.
   - **Clean** the control handle and cord by wiping with a clean, non-linting cloth or single-use endoscopic sponge moistened with the approved cleaner. To remove any residual cleaner, wipe both components again with a clean, non-linting cloth or single-use endoscopic sponge moistened with clean water. Do not wipe the connector.

6. Rinse the endoscopic shaft by soaking it in a large volume of clean, lukewarm water (for example, eight liters) for at least three minutes to remove residual cleaning solution.

7. Rinse the endoscopic shaft by soaking it in a large volume of clean, lukewarm water (for example, eight liters) for at least three minutes to remove residual cleaning solution.

8. Visually inspect the scan head and endoscopic shaft for remaining biological material. If any is found, repeat the cleaning process.
   - **Caution**: Residual cleaners left on the transducer can cause damage.

9. Dry the transducer with a clean, non-linting towel. Examine the transducer and cable for damage, such as cracks or splitting where fluid can enter.
   - If damage is evident, discontinue use of the transducer, and contact FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative.

10. Proceed to “Testing the transducer for electrical leakage” on page 4-5.
Testing the transducer for electrical leakage

Caution
If the watertight coating on the scan head or endoscopic shaft has been damaged or punctured, contact FUJIFILM SonoSite for instructions on cleaning and returning the transducer for repair.

About leakage testing

Electrical leakage caused by bite holes or other damages to the endoscope surface can be detected using a transducer leakage tester, such as the ULT-2000 series. For complete instructions on using the leakage tester, refer to the ULT2000 Series User Manual.

The electrical leakage test is not the same test as the electrical safety test (see “Electrical safety” on page 5-5). You should perform the electrical leakage test on the TEExi before or after every use, and maintain a record of test results for each TEExi transducer.

Required equipment

- Container with one of the following:
  - Conductive cleaner checked for expiration date and concentration
  - 0.9% saline
- Conductivity probe
- ULT-2000 series leakage tester (preset to test the TEExi probe)
- TEExi transducer adapter
- Fork adapter
- Splitter
To test the transducer for electrical leakage

1  Insert the transducer connector into the transducer adapter as shown in Figure 4-2.

![Figure 4-2 Insertion of the transducer connector](image)

2  Insert the fork adapter securely under the flexion control wheels as shown in Figure 4-3. You will feel the fork adapter snap into position and may hear a click.

![Figure 4-3 Insertion of the fork adapter](image)

**Note**  Do not allow the fork adapter to swivel during the test.
3 Attach the splitter to the leakage tester, then attach the transducer adapter and the fork adapter to the splitter as shown in Figure 4-4.

![Figure 4-4 Two electrical test setup examples](image)

4 Attach the conductivity probe to the leakage tester and insert the contacts into the soak tube. Make sure the contacts are completely submerged.

5 Submerge between 70 cm and 90 cm of the endoscopic shaft.

6 Power on the ULT-2020.

7 If the screen does not display **Ready for Testing**, press the **RESET** key.

8 Press the **FULL TEST** button to start the test.

9 Record the test results (Pass/Fail).

10 If it passes, repeat steps 7 and 8 to complete three tests. If any of the results are **Fail**, electrical leakage was detected. **Do not use the TEExi transducer.** For remediation steps, see “**If the transducer fails the test**” on page 4-10.

11 Rinse the transducer in a large volume of clean water (for example, eight liters) for at least three minutes and visually inspect it for damage before proceeding to “**Disinfecting the transducer**” on page 4-8.

If damage is evident, discontinue use of the transducer, and contact FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative.
Disinfecting the transducer

Caution  
Do not steam, autoclave, or expose the transducer to Ethylene Oxide.

Cleaners and disinfectants not listed on FUJIFILM SonoSite's website have not been evaluated for compatibility and may cause damage to the transducer. For a list of approved disinfectants, see [www.sonosite.com/support/cleaners-disinfectants](http://www.sonosite.com/support/cleaners-disinfectants). Follow the manufacturer’s instructions for concentration, temperature, and duration.

**Table 4-3: Approved disinfectants**

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*a* Refer to the manufacturer’s instructions for concentration, temperature, and soak time.

*b* Refer to the cleaners and disinfection tool available at [www.sonosite.com/support/cleaners-disinfectants](http://www.sonosite.com/support/cleaners-disinfectants) for a more complete list of approved cleaners and disinfectants.

**To disinfect the transducer**

1. Verify that the transducer has been cleaned using the procedure described in “Cleaning the transducer” on page 4-3.
2 At the disinfection station, prepare the disinfectant for use:

   a Check the expiration date on the bottle to ensure that the disinfectant has not expired.
   b Check that the disinfectant has the concentration recommended by the manufacturer (for example, use a chemical strip test).
   c Check that the temperature of the cleaner is within the manufacturer’s recommended limits.

3 Disinfect the cable and controller by wiping them with a sterile, non-linting cloth or single-use endoscopic sponge moistened with disinfectant.

4 Rinse the cable and controller by wiping them with a sterile, non-linting cloth or single-use endoscopic sponge moistened with sterile water.

5 Secure the control handle so it cannot fall into the solution. Disinfect the transducer by soaking the shaft and scan head in the disinfectant up to the 90 cm mark. See Figure 4-1 on page 4-2.

   WARNING Follow the chemical manufacturer’s instructions. Do not soak the transducer longer than recommended by the chemical manufacturer. Prolonged soaking in chemical disinfectants can cause damage to the transducer and chemical burns to the patient.

   Cautions
   - Do not use unapproved disinfectants, such as alcohol or bleach (for example, Sani-cloth wipes) as these can damage the transducer. For more information about approved disinfectants, see Table 4-3 on page 4-8.
   - Do not immerse the transducer cable, connector, or controller in any fluid.

6 Continue with “To rinse the transducer” on page 4-9.

   WARNING You must still test the transducer for electrical leakage before using it on the next patient.

To rinse the transducer

1 Rinse the transducer by soaking it for at least one minute, in a large volume of sterile, deionized water (for example, eight liters). Discard the rinse water.

   WARNING Chemical disinfectants can cause harm to the patient if not completely removed from the transducer. For more information, see the disinfectant manufacturer’s instructions.

2 Important: To ensure that no residual disinfectant remains on the scan head or endoscopic shaft, repeat step 1 at least two more times for a minimum total of three rinse cycles. Dispose of the water after each rinse. Some disinfectant manufacturers may recommend additional rinsing. See the manufacturer’s guidelines for more information.

3 Dry the transducer with a sterile, non-linting towel or medical-grade air.
4 Examine the transducer and cable for damage, such as cracks or splitting where fluid can enter.
   If damage is evident, discontinue use of the transducer, and contact FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative.

5 If not already in place, apply a clean tip cover over the transducer scan head. The tip cover encloses and protects the scan head from mechanical strain and impact during transportation and storage. Keep the tip cover on until preparing the transducer for use.

   **WARNING** When handling a clean transducer, always take appropriate precautions to prevent cross-contamination. You can place the probe shaft in a clean sleeve.

   **Caution** The tip cover is a single-use device. Do not reuse tip covers. Doing so can result in contamination of, or damage to the scan head.

6 To transport the transducer, refer to the procedures detailed in “Transporting the transducer” on page 4-11.

7 To store the transducer, refer to the procedure detailed in “Storing the transducer” on page 4-12.

Dispose of the disinfectant according to the manufacturer’s guidelines.

   **WARNING** Wear the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) when handling disinfectants.

**Identifying the transducer as clean and safe**

To identify the transducer as clean, containers used to transport clean transducers should carry a verification sticker or certificate that include the date cleaned and the name (or other identification) of the person who performed the cleaning. Check the guidelines for proper record keeping on your TEE probe cleaning, disinfecting and electrical leakage testing.

**If no electrical leakage is detected**

To identify the transducer as safe, you should include a sticker or certificate that travels with the transducer that includes the date of the test, the name or other identification of the tester, and the outcome of the test. If the test was performed as part of the cleaning process, continue to clean and disinfect the transducer.

**If the transducer fails the test**

First, verify that you correctly set the test up and connected the equipment properly. If your test setup is correct, do not use the transducer or connect the transducer to an ultrasound system. Contact FUJIFILM SonoSite for repair.
To identify the transducer as unsafe to use, you should include a sticker or certificate that travels with the transducer that includes the date of the test, the name or other identification of the tester, and the outcome of the test.

**Transporting the transducer**

When transporting the TEExi transducer, you must take precautions to protect the transducer from damage and avoid cross-contamination. Be sure to use a container approved by your organization.

**Caution**

Do not bend the endoscopic shaft smaller than a 20 cm (8 inch) curve. Exceeding this minimum bend diameter can damage the endoscope or its watertight coating.

**To transport a soiled transducer for cleaning**

A soiled transducer is one that has been contaminated and must be cleaned before using it in an exam.

1. Place the transducer in a clean, approved container.

**WARNING**

To prevent cross-contamination or unprotected exposure of personnel to biological material, containers used to transport contaminated transducers should carry an ISO biohazard label similar to the following:

![ISO biohazard label]

**Caution**

Ensure the transducer is dry before placing it in a closed container. Condensation from a damp transducer can damage the connector and endoscope.

2. Transport the transducer in the container to the point of processing. Do not open the container until the transducer is ready to be cleaned.

**Caution**

Do not leave the TEExi transducer in a sealed container for long periods of time.

**To transport a clean transducer**

A clean transducer is one that has completed the cleaning and disinfection process, has been stored properly, and is ready to be used in an examination.

1. Place the transducer in a clean, approved container. To identify the transducer as clean, containers used to transport clean transducers should carry a cleanliness verification sticker or certificate. For more
information, see “Dispose of the disinfectant according to the manufacturer’s guidelines.” on page 4-10.

2 Transport the transducer in the container to the point of use. Do not open the container until the transducer is ready to be used.

To ship a transducer

| WARNING | Whenever possible, avoid shipping a contaminated transducer. Before shipping, ensure the transducer has been cleaned, tested, and disinfected using the steps detailed in this chapter or according to special instructions received from FUJIFILM SonoSite. If you are returning the transducer to FUJIFILM SonoSite, document the disinfection on a “Declaration of Cleanliness,” and attach it to the packing list. |

1 If not already in place, insert a tip cover over the transducer scan head.

| Caution | The tip cover is a single-use device. Do not reuse tip covers. Doing so can result in contamination of, or damage to, the scan head. |

2 Place the transducer in the shipping case and seal it.

| Caution | When shipping the transducer in the shipping case, do not allow any part of the transducer to protrude beyond the case. |

3 Ship the transducer using the following precautions:

- Clearly label the case as fragile.
- Do not stack items on top of the case.
- Do not exceed the shipping temperature range: -35° C (-31° F) to +65° C (149° F).
- Do not open the case until it reaches its final destination.

After arrival, the transducer must be cleaned, tested, and disinfected using the procedures detailed in this chapter before it can be used.

Storing the transducer

Follow society guidelines and recommendations.

To store the transducer

1 Clean, test, and disinfect the TEExi transducer. See “Transducer Care” on page 4-1.

2 Store the transducer so that it hangs freely and vertically, and observe the following precautions:

- Store the transducer away from any contaminated transducers.
Store the transducer in an environment that is safe and has good airflow. Do not store the transducer in closed containers or where condensation may occur.

Use a tip cover when storing the transducer to prevent damage to the scan head. The tip cover encloses and protects the scan head from mechanical strain and impact during storage. Keep the tip cover on until preparing the transducer for use.

**Caution**
The tip cover is a single-use device. Do not reuse tip covers. Doing so can result in contamination of, or damage to, the transducer.

Avoid direct sunlight and exposure to x-rays. Recommended storage temperature range is between 0°C (32°F) and +45°C (113°F).

If using a wall-mounted rack for storage, ensure that:

- It is securely mounted.
- The storage slots do not mar the transducer or the endoscopic shaft.
- The rack is sized and positioned to prevent the transducer from inadvertently falling.
- Make sure the connector is supported and secure.

### Disposing of the transducer

**WARNING**
Do not destroy the transducer by incinerating or burning it. Return the transducer to FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative for disposal.
Safety

Patient safety is ensured only when a well-designed product is used in a safe and responsible manner. Follow guidelines and protocols provided by the American Society of Echocardiography and the Academy of Emergency Physicians.

It is important that the user establishes and uses a check-out procedure to ensure that the transducer is safe to use and functions properly prior to each use. If any irregularity, substandard functioning, or unsafe condition is observed or suspected, do not use the TEExi transducer. Contact FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative immediately.

**WARNING**
The TEExi transducer has no protection in the event of a neutral electrode fault of a high frequency surgical device. When using the TEExi transducer with high frequency surgical equipment, monitor the scan head temperature and remove the transducer from the area if you observe an increase in temperature.

Standards compliance

The TEExi transducer conforms to the Medical Device Directive 93/42/EEC. It is a class IIA medical device. Symbols and terms used on the transducer are explained in the ultrasound system user guide.

For a list of applicable standards and requirements, see the ultrasound system user guide.

Annual inspection

In addition to the regular inspections described elsewhere in this document, perform the following tests at least annually on the TEExi transducer:

- Temperature calibration test. See “Temperature calibration test” on page 5-4.
- Electrical safety test. See “Electrical safety test” on page 5-5.
Safe operational use

WARNINGS

To avoid injury to the patient:

- Consult the medical literature regarding techniques, complications, and hazards prior to transesophageal procedures. Study this user guide thoroughly prior to performing a transesophageal procedure.

- The TEExi transducer is intended for use by a medical professional who has received appropriate training in endoscopic techniques as dictated by current relevant medical practices, as well as in proper operation of the ultrasound system and transducer.

- Check the transducer prior to each use to assure that it is safe to use and functions properly. If any irregularity, substandard functioning, or unsafe condition is observed or suspected, do not use the TEExi transducer. Call FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative. See “Pre-exam inspection” on page 3-1.

- If the transducer tip should get jammed in a flexed position inside the patient, and all attempts to release the tip should fail, follow procedure for “Emergency retraction” on page 3-4 to assure a safe retraction of the transducer. The mechanism is designed to provide safe operation during normal use.

- Perform a low-voltage electrical leakage test after cleaning the transducer, but before disinfecting it. If leakage is detected, do not use the transducer. See “Testing the transducer for electrical leakage” on page 4-5.

- Do not use conventional coupling gel intended for external use.

- Avoid forceful intubation pressure which can cause lacerations or perforation of the gastrointestinal tract.

- Remove the transducer from the patient when using a defibrillator.

- FUJIFILM SonoSite recommends cleaning and disinfecting transducers after each use. See “Transducer Care” on page 4-1.

WARNINGS

- To avoid injury to the patient and damage to the transducer, use a bite guard/block during all transesophageal exams.

- To maintain proper level of sterility, the use of a protective sheath in addition to the high level disinfection, may provide the proper level of protection against contamination of the transducer.

- Some transducer sheaths contain natural rubber latex and talc, which can cause allergic reactions in some individuals. See 21 CFR 801.437, User labeling for devices that contain natural rubber.
Thermal safety

Experts generally agree that to avoid damage to body tissues during long-term exposures, the temperature of the transducer tip where contacting tissue should be less than 43° C.

A thermal-safety system in the ultrasound system displays the transducer’s operating temperature on-screen and prevents it from exceeding given limits.

If the temperature sensor is not working properly when you connect the transducer to the system, the image freezes and a warning appears.

Thermal limits

The system has two levels of upper thermal limit: 41.0° C and 42.5° C. If the transducer-tip temperature reaches 41.0° C, the temperature is highlighted on-screen, the image freezes, and a warning appears. This warning appears only once per exam. To continue, press OK. If the temperature reaches 42.5° C, the image freezes and cannot be unfrozen until the temperature falls below 42.0° C. To resume imaging, press the FREEZE or UNFREEZE key.

The system has a lower thermal limit of 17.5° C. If the transducer-tip temperature reaches 17.5° C, the temperature is highlighted on-screen, and the image freezes and cannot be unfrozen until the temperature rises above 18.0° C. To resume imaging, press the FREEZE or UNFREEZE key.

Figure 5-1 Transducer-tip temperature on-screen: Within limit (left) and outside limit (right)
Reducing temperature

The following are general guidelines for reducing temperature in 2D or Doppler imaging modes:

- Using 2D imaging (2D imaging typically results in the lowest transducer surface temperature.)
- In 2D imaging, selecting the Res or Gen optimization setting and increasing the image depth
- In PW Doppler imaging, decreasing the PRF and/or positioning the Doppler sample gate to a shallower depth
- In CW Doppler imaging, no imaging changes reduce the transducer surface temperature.
- In any imaging mode, freezing the image temporarily reduces the transducer surface temperature.
- In color imaging, no imaging changes reduce the transducer surface temperature.

Temperature calibration test

At least once a year, verify the temperature measurement function to the specifications. See “Thermal safety” on page 5–3.

To prepare for the temperature calibration test, assemble the following items:

- Temperature stabilized water bath
- Temperature gauge with accuracy of +/- 0.1° C

To test the temperature calibration

1. Adjust the water bath temperature to 41.8° +/- 0.1° C and monitor the temperature with the gauge.
   
   If an accurate and stable water bath is not available, account for the added inaccuracy when reading the temperature from the ultrasound system. Deviation of more than +/- 0.5° C is not acceptable. Maintaining this accuracy without temperature regulation may be difficult.

2. Connect the TEExi transducer to the ultrasound system or select it if you are using the Triple Transducer Connect.

3. Press FREEZE.

4. Put the transducer tip in the water bath.
   At least 10 cm of the distal end must be submerged.

5. Observe the temperature indicated on the system screen.

6. Wait until the temperature display is stabilized at 41.8° +/-0.5° C plus/minus any water bath temperature deviation.

7. Observe that the Warning pop-up window appears.
If the temperature shutdown works as described in “Thermal safety” on page 5-3, the transducer passes the test. If not, contact FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local FUJIFILM SonoSite representative.

**Electrical safety**

SonoSite ultrasound systems with accessories are designed to meet the requirements for patient safety described in IEC 60601-1. To maintain patient safety it is important to have a low electrical leakage current in the product. FUJIFILM SonoSite tests each TEExi transducer for electrical isolation and leakage current before it is shipped to a customer.

The endoscopic shaft does not have any electrically conducting surfaces and is covered with a layer of material that does not permit fluids nor electricity to pass through it. The transducer’s electrical safety is maintained by keeping this material intact. Punctures in this material, such as those resulting from bites or improper handling, can result in fluids entering the endoscopic shaft and the patient being exposed to an electrical current. You must test for such damage before or after every use. See “Testing the transducer for electrical leakage” on page 4-5.

It is important that you establish and use a standardized procedure to ensure that the transducer is safe to use and functions properly prior to each use. If any irregularity, substandard functioning, or unsafe condition is observed or suspected, do not use the TEExi transducer. Call FUJIFILM SonoSite or your local representative.

**WARNING**

To avoid injury to the patient, do not use the transducer if the insulating material has been punctured or otherwise compromised.

**Electrical safety test**

You should establish a program for measuring the electrical leakage current on a regular basis. As a minimum, electrical current leakage tests according to IEC 60601-1 must be performed once per year, or as required by local regulation. The leakage limits associated with Type BF (Body Floating) Applied Part must be met. You should maintain a record of the test results for each TEExi transducer.

**WARNING**

Only qualified personnel should perform the electrical safety test. Take all necessary precautions to avoid contact with non-insulated parts that have applied voltage.
Transducer temperature rise

Table 5-4: Transducer surface temperature rise, internal use

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Output display

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# Acoustic output

## Table 5-6: Transducer model: TEExi Operating mode: CW Doppler

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### Table 5-7: Transducer model: TEExi  Operating mode: PW Doppler

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# Transducer Specifications

## TEExi/8-3 MHz transducer

| **Endoscopic shaft** | External Diameter: 10.5 mm  
Length: 110 cm |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| **Steering orientation** | Clockwise rotation of the lower control wheel will flex the tip anterior. Counterclockwise rotation of the lower wheel will flex the tip posterior.  
Clockwise rotation of the upper control wheel will flex the tip to the right.  
Counterclockwise rotation of the upper wheel will flex the tip to the left. |
| **Maximum deflection** | Anterior: 120° minimum, 130° maximum  
Posterior: 40° minimum, 60° maximum  
Right and Left: 40° minimum, 60° maximum |
| **Scan plane rotation** | The transducer scans images in any plane within a 180° (nominal) cone from a transverse plane, through the longitudinal plane and ending at the mirror of the first transverse plane.  
The scan plane rotation is motor-driven, with speed and direction selected with buttons on the endoscope handle. Maximum speed: 180° in approximately 5 seconds |
| **Scan Angle** | 90° maximum |
| **Transducer tip dimensions** | Length: 35 mm*  
Cross-section maximum: 14 mm x 12.5 mm |
| **Disinfection classification** | Spaulding class, semi-critical |
| **Electrical Safety** | Conforms to applicable UL, CSA, IEC requirements for class BF. |
| **Temperature accuracy** | ±0.5° C within the range of 35° to 45° C |
### Transducer Specifications

| **Transducer tip temperature limits** | Upper: 42.5°C  
Lower: 17.5°C |
| **Transducer** | Center Frequency 5.0 MHz |
| **Maximum cable length** | 7.2 ft/2.2 m (as measured between the strain reliefs) |
| **Biocompatibility** | All patient contact materials of the TEExi transducer/endoscope system comply with ISO 10993-1. The transducer is latex free. |
| **Environmental limits (shipping and storage)** | Shipping: -35°C to +65°C  
Storage: 0°C to +45°C  
Humidity: 15 to 95% R.H.  
Pressure: 700 to 1060 hPA (0.7 to 1.05 ATM) |

* Defined as the length of the inflexible distal part of the transducer.