



Cleaning Incubators



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1. Turn off CO_2 tank by turning valve at the top of the tank clockwise.
2. Remove all instruments, shelves etc... from the incubator.
3. Dump water from glass dishes and thoroughly wash. Cover with foil dull side up.
4. Remove walls by sliding bottom of one side towards the middle and removing. Repeat with other wall.
5. Autoclave walls, shelves, and dishes at $121^\circ C$ at either slow or fast exhaust * for 20 minutes. * Depends on what is also being autoclaved.
6. Using paper towels, remove excess water from incubator.
7. Thoroughly spray sides, bottom and top of incubator with 70% ethanol solution and wipe down with chem wipes. Repeat.
8. After autoclaving is complete, wipe down walls with ethanol and place in incubator.
9. Wipe down shelves with ethanol and place in incubator.
10. Wipe out glass dishes with ethanol and place in bottom of incubator. Fill about 2/3 full with autoclaved H_2O .
11. Firmly shut and fasten doors. Turn on CO_2 tank by turning valve counterclockwise.