

# **Good Centrifuge Practice**

To ensure peak performance of your centrifuge and for safety reasons, you should abide by the following steps:

### 1. Every day use

- Always run with a full set of buckets.
- Distribute load evenly around the rotor.
- Balance opposing buckets to within 5 grams, using a suitable laboratory balance.
- Ensure rotor, buckets and windshield lids are securely fitted.
- Grease bucket support pins.

### 2. For refrigerated units

- Pre-cool centrifuge before run.
- Never run a windshield rotor without its lid.
- Leave bucket caps off and centrifuge lids open after use to allow moisture to evaporate and prevent corrosion.

## 3. Cleaning

- Regularly clean and decontaminate your rotor, buckets and adapters, particularly if there is a spillage.
- Use a brush with soft bristles for cleaning. Avoid using a brush with wire bristles.
- Dry buckets and rotors upside down after cleaning to prevent corrosion.
- Spray buckets with an anti-corrosion spray once dried.
- Remove any broken tubes or debris from the bowl.
- 4. Rotors and buckets should be routinely replaced when worn
- 5. Regularly service your centrifuge to ensure it is in peak condition

### ALWAYS READ THE CENTRIFUGE MANUAL BEFORE USE

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