

How to Use a Gastric Suction System

Gastric Suction System

Your health care provider has prescribed a gastric suction system for you. This will help to clear fluids from your stomach.

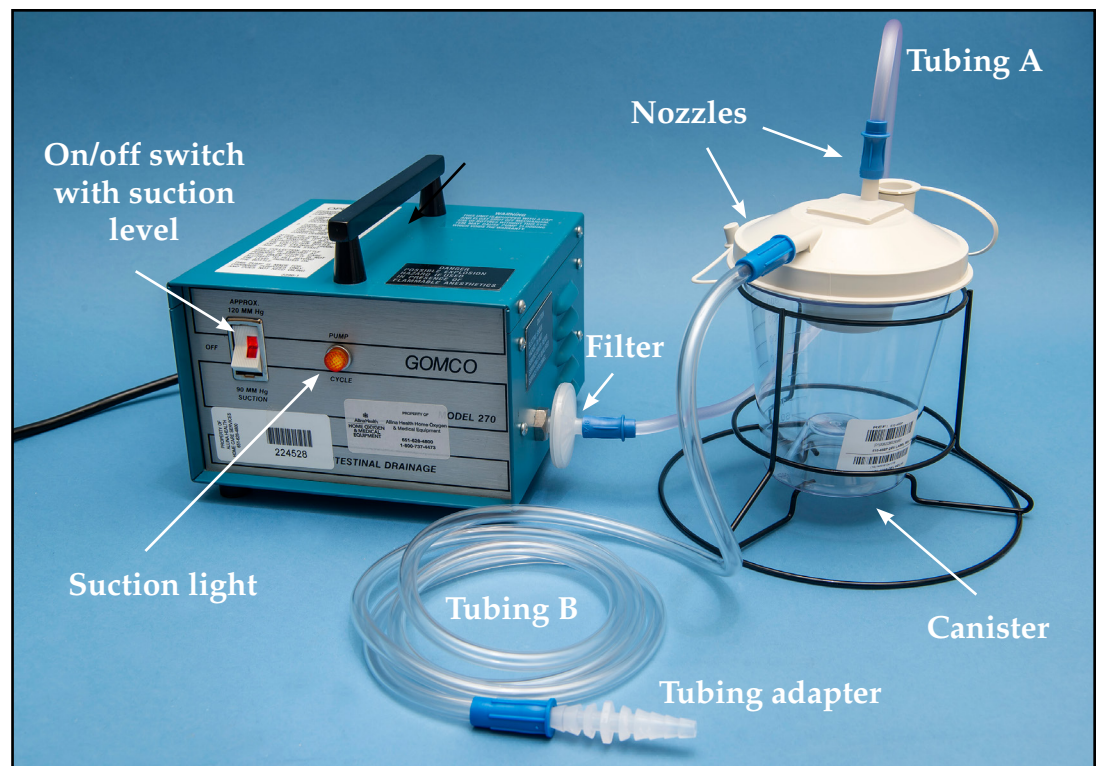
You can rent a gastric suction system from your local home medical supply store.

Parts of the System

- tubing (A and B)
- canister
- on/off switch with suction level
- suction light
- filter
- nozzles
- tubing adapter

How to Set Up and Use the System

1. Place the system on a table or other flat surface at least 4 inches away from other items.
2. Set up the system.
 - Tightly secure the lid on the canister.
 - Connect the filter to the nozzle on the right side of the system by twisting the filter clockwise (to the right).
 - Connect one end of the tubing to the filter and the other end of the tubing to the nozzle (pointing up) on the top of the canister.



Labeled parts of the system

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- Connect one end of tubing B to the canister. Connect the other end to the tubing adapter.
3. Plug the system into an electrical outlet. Turn the system on by using the switch to choose the suction level prescribed by your health care provider. The red light should be on.
 4. To test the system, place the end of tubing B into a cup of room-temperature water. Wait for the suction light to turn on.
 - If the water moves from the cup into the tubing, turn off the switch. It is ready to use!
 - If the water does not move into the tubing, check to make sure all of the tubing and canister connections are secure.
 5. Remove the end of the tubing from the cup and connect it to the tubing placed by your health care provider.
 6. To begin using the system, use the switch to choose the suction level prescribed by your health care provider. They will also give you instructions for how long to use it.

While you are using the system, the orange (“pump cycle”) light will be on during each cycle and turn off between cycles.

How to Clean the System

- **Filter:** When the filter looks damaged, discolored or clogged, replace it with a new one.
- **Canister:** Use warm, soapy water to wash the canister. Allow to air dry on a clean towel.
- **Tubing:** When the tubing becomes worn, replace it with new tubing.
- **Suction system:** Use a damp cloth to clean the system and power cords. Wipe the machine dry.

How to Order More Supplies

Call 651-628-4800 or 1-800-737-4473 to order more supplies or if you have questions.