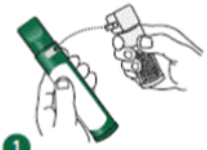

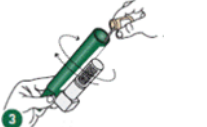


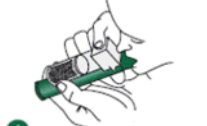




## Methoxyflurane (Penthrox®)

	<p>1. Ensure the Activated Carbon (AC) Chamber is inserted into the dilutor hole on the top of the inhaler.</p>
	<p>2. Remove the cap of the bottle by hand. Alternatively, use the base of the inhaler to loosen the cap with a 1/2 turn. Separate the inhaler from the bottle and remove the cap by hand.</p>
	<p>3. Tilt the inhaler to a 45° angle and pour the total contents of one bottle into the base of the inhaler whilst rotating.</p>
	<p>4. Place wrist loop over patient's wrist. Patient inhales through the mouthpiece of the inhaler to obtain analgesia. First few breaths should be gentle and then breathe normally through Inhaler.</p>
	<p>5. Patient exhales into the inhaler (to protect you). The exhaled vapour passes through the AC Chamber to adsorb any exhaled methoxyflurane.</p>
	<p>6. If stronger analgesia is required, patient can cover dilutor hole on the AC Chamber with finger during use.</p>
	<p>7. If further pain relief is required, after the first bottle has been used use a second bottle if available. Alternatively use a second bottle from a new combination pack. Use in the same way as the first bottle in Step 2 and 3. No need to remove the AC Chamber. Put used bottle into the plastic bag provided.</p> <p>Patient should be instructed to inhale intermittently to achieve adequate analgesia. Continuous inhalation will reduce duration of use. Minimum dose to achieve analgesia should be administered.</p>
	<p>8. Replace cap onto bottle. Place used inhaler and used bottle in sealed plastic bag and dispose of responsibly in a designated bin or suitable waste container.</p>

*This information has been summarised to act as a guide for those administering IV medication. The monograph should be used in conjunction with the drug data sheet and BNF for information on dose, adverse effects, cautions and contra-indications. Further information is available from Pharmacy on 22146 or 22542*