

TAKING CARE OF YOUR AUTO RIC HEARING AID

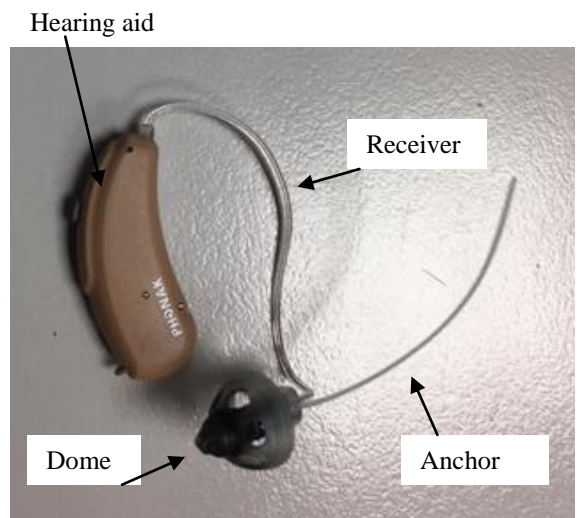
Hearing aids are easily blocked by wax or dry skin flakes, and this can stop them working completely, or impede the aids function. Because of this, the hearing aids need regular maintenance to keep them working at their best.

When you are not using your hearing aid, leave the battery door open so that any moisture can evaporate. The hearing aids are resistant to water, sweat and dust if they are cared for well.

Cleaning the Mould/Dome

The mould/dome is the name of the piece that goes into the ear. This should be wiped over with a tissue or damp cloth when removed from the ear. In the centre of the mould there is a small filter called a CeruSTOP. This is to prevent wax entering the hearing aid, this needs to be clear.

To do this the dome needs to be removed. Do this by gripping the end of the dome firmly whilst holding the receiver base (the part the dome covers) with the other hand. Pulling the dome off will reveal the receiver wax filter. If this filter seems to be blocked at all and wiping it over is not sufficient to unblock it then it needs to be changed.

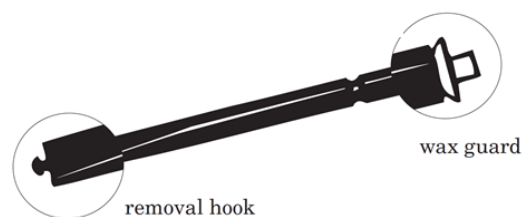


Changing the Filter (CeruSTOP)

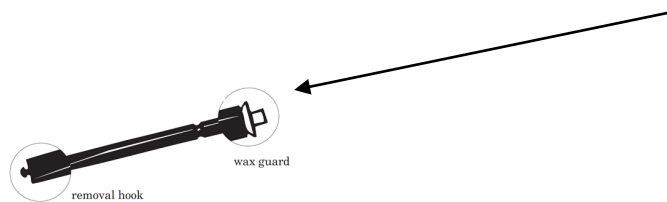
You will have been provided with some replacement filters so that you can replace these should you need to.

To change the filter (Cerustop) you will need to

1. Insert the removal hook into the wax guard. There is a white wax guard mounted onto one end of the holder. At the other end is a hook for removing the used wax guard.



2. Slowly pull the wax guard **straight** out.



3. Gently press the new filter that is now in position into the opening of receiver wire.



4. Then gently pull the holder **straight** out. The new filter will automatically dismount from the holder and remain in place. The holder can then be disposed of as you do not want to reuse the old tip.



More filters (CeruSTOPS) can be obtained from the Maidstone Audiology Department.

If you have any problems replacing this, please contact Maidstone Audiology
On 01622 226198, or email MTW-TR.Audiology@nhs.net.