Ritter M9[®] Steam Sterilizer Load Configurations



Ritter M9/M11 Sterilizers introduce more powerful heating to ensure that drying is consistent and effective. Sterilizer load configuration is especially important to take advantage of this upgrade.

This table demonstrates proper load configuration examples consistent with AAMI ST79 and CDC standards and guidelines pertaining to loading tabletop sterilizers.

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Pouch Size	Trays	Pouch Racks	Pouches/Load	Load Configuration	Example				
9" x 3.5"	2 small trays	1 on small tray	6 pouches	Slot 1 (top): small tray, flat pouches Slot 2: empty Slot 3: empty Slot 4: small tray, pouch rack					
9" x 3.5"	2 small tray 2 large trays	0	4 pouches	DO NOT USE THIS CONFIGURATION Pouches lying flat on the bottom tray can trap heat and could be damaged.					
9" x 2.75"	2 small trays 1 large tray	1 on small tray	9 pouches	Slot 1 (top): small tray, flat pouches Slot 2: large tray, flat pouches Slot 3: empty Slot 4: small tray, pouch rack					

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9" x 2.75"	1 small tray 1 large tray	1 on small tray 1 on large tray	10 pouches	Slot 1 (top): empty Slot 2: large tray, pouch rack Slot 3: empty Slot 4: small tray, pouch rack					
9" x 2.75"	1 small tray 2 large trays	0	6 pouches	DO NOT USE THIS CONFIGURATION Pouches lying flat on the bottom tray can trap heat and could be damaged.					

POUCH LOADING NOTES:

- Use pouch racks to load pouches on edge for optimal sterilization and drying.
- Do not place pouches flat on the bottom tray of the sterilizer.
- Place pouches on edge in a pouch rack or place them paper side down on upper trays in the sterilizer.
- Do not layer or overlap pouches.
- Do not allow pouches to touch the sides of the sterilizer chamber.
- Always refer to the pouch Manufacture's Instructions for Use.



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