§ 868.1930 Stethoscope head.

(a) Identification. A stethoscope head is a weighted chest piece used during anesthesia to listen to a patient’s heart, breath, and other physiological sounds.

(b) Classification. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to the limitations in § 868.9.


§ 868.1965 Switching valve (ploss).

(a) Identification. A switching valve (ploss) is a three-way valve located between a stethoscope placed over the heart, a blood pressure cuff, and an earpiece. The valve allows the user to eliminate one sound channel and listen only to a patient’s heart or korotkoff (blood pressure) sounds through the other channel.

(b) Classification. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to the limitations in § 868.9.


§ 868.1975 Water vapor analyzer.

(a) Identification. A water vapor analyzer is a device intended to measure the concentration of water vapor in a patient’s expired gases by using techniques such as mass spectrometry.

(b) Classification. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to the limitations in § 868.9.