

1. Can I empty the Pneumostat?

Yes. Withdraw fluid as needed with a needleless, luer-lock syringe (wiping the port with alcohol before attaching syringe), or replace the Pneumostat if the collection chamber is full.

2. What size catheters connect to the Pneumostat?

The Pneumostat can be attached to 24Fr to 40Fr size catheters. Pre-packaged with the Pneumostat are two connectors. One allows connection to smaller sized catheters (8Fr to 12Fr) and the other connects to pig tail catheters.

3. How do I check for an air leak?

Add 1ml of water to the air leak well. Assess the air leak well for bubbling indicating the presence of a pleural air leak. After an air leak has been confirmed, we recommend removing the fluid from the air leak well with a cotton swab or gauze. It will prevent any audible bubbling during patient respiration. [Return to Top](#)

4. How do I sample patient drainage/empty the Pneumostat?

Alcohol swab the needleless fluid sample port prior to and after luer lock syringe attachment. Sampling drainage from the Pneumostat and disposal must be in accordance with approved hospital infection control standards.

5. Does the Pneumostat contain any latex?

The Pneumostat chest drain valve does not contain natural rubber latex (NRL) or dry natural rubber (DNR) and bears labeling with the 'LF' symbol and the statement "Latex Free".

6. Is the Pneumostat chest drain valve MRI compatible?

There is no metal in the Pneumostat. Therefore it is completely safe to use during an MRI.