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Symbols

The following symbols and conventions are used throughout this manual and on the instrument.



THIS SYMBOL IS USED ON THE EQUIPMENT, OR IN A DOCUMENT, TO WARN THAT INSTRUCTIONS MUST BE FOLLOWED FOR SAFE AND CORRECT OPERATION. IF THIS SYMBOL APPEARS ON THE INSTRUMENT, ALWAYS REFER TO THIS OPERATOR GUIDE.



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A warning is given in the document if there is a danger of personal injury or damage to samples or equipment.

Note

Notes give more information about a job or instruction but do not form part of the instructions.

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How to Use This Guide

Introduction	The Shandon TissueWave 2 Microwave is intended for use in pathology laboratories by operators familiar with tissue processing and laboratory equipment.
	Before operating the instrument, the section entitled Safety Information must be read and understood.
	This Operator Guide is structured to let processing of tissues begin quickly and safely with the Shandon TissueWave 2.
Chapter Summary	Section 1 - Introducing the Shandon TissueWave 2 This chapter identifies the components of the Shandon TissueWave 2 Microwave and describes their functions.
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	Section 6 - Maintenance and Cleaning This chapter explains the daily, weekly and monthly cleaning and maintenance requirements for the unit.

Safety Information

The Shandon TissueWave 2 is designed and made with care.

The instrument is safe to use, simple to operate, and easy to maintain.

Many safety features have been built into the unit to ensure its safe operation.

However, incorrect actions by a user may damage the equipment, or cause a hazard to health.



All users must read and understand the following paragraphs before using this instrument.



Operate the unit from a properly grounded and appropriately rated receptacle.

- To minimize the risk of electrical shock and the possibility of interference with other electronic devices, the unit must always be powered from a grounded receptacle.
- Position the Shandon TissueWave 2 so that it is possible to interrupt the mains supply at the source by removing the plug from the socket.
- In addition, the unit should be operated on its own electrical power circuit with a current rating at least equal to the unit's fuse rating. Line voltage may fluctuate particularly if other devices are powered on the same line.
- The shortest possible distance between the service outlet and the main connection feeding the service will provide the best results in terms of consistent power output from the microwave.



Ensure proper operation of the vent system.

- The Shandon TissueWave 2 vent system interlock is designed to prevent use of the unit unless adequate air flow has been established through the microwave chamber.
- Keep the exhaust hose clean and unrestricted. This provides protection against the buildup of possibly toxic or explosive fumes inside the unit.
- Never attempt to operate the unit with a known deficiency in the venting unit.



Do not operate the unit when empty.

- Whenever operating the Shandon TissueWave 2 unit, be sure that the microwave chamber contains some type of microwave absorbent material. Use only microwavable containers in the Shandon TissueWave 2.
- Insufficient or improper loads or improper containers (metal) will cause the magnetron or parts of the microwave interior to overheat. When this happens, a thermal switch will eventually turn the unit off so the magnetron can cool. Several minutes will need to elapse before the switch resets and allows the unit to operate.
- Damage to the magnetron may occur with insufficient loads.



Never heat food in a laboratory microwave. **Do not put excessive weight on the door.**

- For example, the door is not designed to support the weight of someone leaning on it. Applying heavy loads to the door might cause it to become misaligned and result in improper operation of the unit.
- Do not attempt to operate the unit with something caught in the door or with the door open.

- There are two safety interlocks on the door to prevent opendoor operation.
- Do not allow residue to build up on the door seals. Seals may be cleaned with a mild detergent and warm water using a soft sponge or cloth.
- Do not operate the unit if the door, hinges or door seals are damaged.



Use caution when heating volatile and / or flammable materials.

- Volatile material may evaporate quickly in the microwave chamber and should be closely monitored during processing.
- To prevent the build-up of an explosive mixture in the chamber, flammable materials should not be heated to their boiling point.
- Reagents containing metals (eg: Zinc Formalin ot Mercuric Chloride) need to be completely cleaned off of all internal components. Build up of such metals may cause arcing to occur.
- Do not install the unit next to or near a source of heat.
- Do not install the unit at or above eye level. Make sure the microwave fits securely on a counter space.
- To avoid toxic fumes when handling heated solutions always work with heated solutions in a properly vented area.



Never use an additional thermometer in the unit.

• Only the supplied temperature probe should be used to monitor temperature inside of the Shandon TissueWave 2.



Use only qualified microwave service personnel for repairs.



 The unit should never be adjusted or repaired by anyone except qualified microwave service personnel. The outer case of the microwave should not be removed at any time, except by a qualified service person.

Use caution when the vacuum chamber is in use.

- The vacuum line (hose) is intended for pulling gases, not liquids. Care should be taken to not allow liquids to be sucked into the line.
- Always release the vacuum from the chamber with the vacuum release knob on the control panel.



Specimens must be completely covered with fluid during all processing and staining procedures.

- Processing and staining fluids will disperse the heat generated by the microwaves in an even manner throughout the tissue sample. This provides even processing and staining without undue heating of artifacts.
- Exposed plastic cassettes and processing racks may melt if left uncovered with fluid.
- Avoid using sponge biopsy pads as they may interfere with the exchange of heat and reagents for the specimen sample.
- Material such as metal suture staples may be processed in the unit safely as long as they are totally submersed in processing solution.



Never heat combustible fluids above their boiling points.

• There is a potential static discharge hazard when heating combustibles.

• Paraffin should be properly heated to the processing temperature before placing the paraffin into the Shandon TissueWave.



Never attempt to disengage the vacuum unit by disconnecting the tubing or lid.

- This will cause a backup of fluid into the tubing and possibly the vacuum pump.
- Always disengage the vacuum by releasing the vacuum knob located on the control panel.



If this equipment is used in a manner not specified by Thermo Fisher Scientific, the protection offered by the equipment may be impaired.

Chemical Safety The Shandon TissueWave 2 as supplied, complies with EN 61010-1:2001.

However, chemicals introduce potential hazards and Thermo has adopted the following position with regard to the subject of heated surfaces and volatile chemicals used in medical laboratories:

- i Non-specified chemicals are used in the instrument at the customer's own risk.
- ii All the chemicals recommended by Thermo have auto-ignition temperatures considerably above any surface temperature that can be reached during a single fault failure of the heating system on the instrument.
- iii The instrument contains no source of ignition in any areas of the instrument where chemicals are stored or likely to leak in a single fault condition.

- iv The operator is fully aware of the contents of the specification documents detailing the properties of the chemicals they are using.
- v The operator has carried out any legally required assessment of chemicals used and is using good laboratory practice.



Some chemicals used during tissue processing are flammable - do not use sources of ignition in the vicinity of this instrument when it is loaded with reagents.

Environmental

This product is required to comply with the European Union's Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive 2002/96/EC. It is marked with the following symbol:



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www.thermo.com/WEEERoHS.

1 - Introducing the Shandon TissueWave 2

Introduction Welcome to the Shandon TissueWave 2 Specimen Processing Microwave System.

This unit may be used for:

- Tissue fixation and processing
- Decalcification of hard material
- Routine special stains where heat would accelerate the staining process
- Epitope enhancement during immunohistochemistry staining.

With a total capacity of 14 protocols consisting of a total of 63 steps, the Shandon TissueWave 2 is designed for greater flexibility to meet the growing laboratory workload demands.

This user friendly instrument will free-up technical time for more complex procedures.

The Shandon TissueWave 2 will deliver uniformly excellent results in a fraction of the time.

Laboratory safety is always an important consideration when purchasing equipment.

The Shandon TissueWave 2 has a ventilation system interlock that prevents the unit from operating if there is not adequate air flow established through the microwave chamber.

The Shandon TissueWave 2 has an interactive LCD screen that directs and informs the user throughout the operation of the unit.

A custom designed vacuum chamber is an added accessory that comes with the Shandon TissueWave 2.

This unique chamber allows for a more rapid microwave fixation and consistent paraffin wax infiltration.







The Shandon TissueWave 2 has an interactive **LCD Display** which directs and informs the user throughout operation.

The **Keypad** is used to perform various actions and to interact with the **LCD Display**.

The Keys on the Keypad have the following functions:





* The Function Keys will perform Screen Specific Functions which are noted on the LCD Display adjacent to the Function Keys.



Additional Symbols Used On the Instrument

In addition to those on the **Keypad**, there are a few other symbols used on this instrument.

The meanings of these symbols are as follows:



Features of the Shandon TissueWave 2

The Shandon TissueWave 2 has several features designed to maximise the efficiency and quality of specimen processing.

These features are as follows:

- Ventilation
- Vacuum Accumulator
- Temperature Probe
- Vacuum Chamber
- Air agitator
- Interior Light
- **Ventilation** The Shandon TissueWave 2 has a **Vent System Interlock** that prevents the unit from operating if there is an inadequate air flow established through the microwave chamber.

This prevents the accumulation of dangerous and toxic fumes.

The vent system on the Shandon TissueWave 2 is designed to be fed to a **Powered Exhaust System**.

A **4" (100 mm) Chamber Outlet** is attached to the back of the unit for easy exhaust hook-up.

An **Aluminium 4" (100 mm) Diameter Hose** is included with the unit for ventilation.

Note:

It is recommended that aluminium hosing be used since plastic hoses have a tendency to collapse at bends.

VacuumThe Shandon TissueWave 2 Vacuum Accumulator is designed to
prevent the accidental ingestion of liquid paraffin or other
contaminants by the system's Vacuum Pump.

Should liquids enter the **Vacuum System** via the **Vacuum Inlet Connection** inside the **Processor Cavity**, they will be discharged into the **Accumulator Canister** and collected at the bottom.

Paraffin will solidify and remain there until re-heated for removal.

The accumulator's collection capacity before vacuum operation is affected is approximately **15 fl oz (450 ml)**.

The flow rate of the Vacuum Pump is 2200 in³/min (0.036 m³/min).



The **Flexible Temperature Probe** may be used in conjunction with the **Air Agitator** or threaded through the **Vacuum Chamber** during **Paraffin Infiltration**.

The probe guarantees accurate temperature measurement to $\pm 1^\circ C$ in most aqueous solutions.

The **Temperature Sensor** is located at the tip of the probe, although at least 1" (25 mm) of the probe must be covered by fluid.

When placing the **Temperature Probe** into a **Container**, the tip should be located **as closely as possible to centre of the processing fluid** within the container, and **at mid-depth** in the fluid.

This will produce the most reliable and stable reading of the fluid temperature.

The **Temperature Probe** is made from stainless steel and is quite flexible, allowing it to be bent and formed as required for placement within various shaped containers.

Vacuum Chamber

The **Vacuum Chamber** is designed for use with the Shandon TissueWave 2 during **Paraffin Infiltration**.





Never use vacuum when microwaving alcoholic solutions, as this can cause rapid boiling and evaporation of the fluids.

Air Agitator

Air agitation during processing helps in eliminating cold and hot spots.

The constant air flow causes the air to circulate and prevents hot and cold spots from affecting any one particular area.

The total **Air Agitator** flow rate is **1 I/min Nominal**.

The **Air Agitator Pump** may be controlled by the **Air Agitator Key** located on the **Keypad**.

The **Pump** is usually controlled by a command in the **Protocol Edit** screen.

However, the operator may override this setting with the **Air Agitator Key**.

The **Air Agitator Outlet Tube** may be removed from the bushing and placed separately in the container for agitation.

The volume of the air stream producing the agitation is controlled manually with the **Flow Control Valve Knob** located at the connection of the tubing to the unit.

The airflow is **Decreased** as the knob is turned Clockwise.

InteriorThe Interior Light can be turned on and off using the Interior LightLightKey on the Keypad.

This function can be used at any time while the instrument is switched **On** at the Mains.

2 - Daily Operation

Introduction This chapter explains the routine operating procedures for processing with the Shandon TissueWave 2.

The procedures explained are:

- Loading the Shandon TissueWave 2
- Internal Connections
- Running a Protocol
- Running a Manual Process
- Running a Power Process

Loading the Shandon TissueWave 2 Vacuum Chamber

The **Shandon TissueWave 2 Vacuum Chamber** is designed to accept **Shandon Excelsior™ Processing Baskets**, which allow up to **74 Tissue Cassettes** to be processed at once.

The **Processing Basket** comprises of two sections, each capable of containing **37 Tissue Cassettes** in an ordered manner.



The procedure for filling and loading the **Processing Baskets** is as follows:

- Arrange the **Tissue Cassettes** as required in the **Processing Basket** halves.
- Place the two halves together as shown, and insert into the **Vacuum Chamber Base**.
- Fill to the required level with **Processing Fluid**.



Insufficient fluid levels may cause the probe to overheat and prevent the unit from operating.

• If vacuum is required, place the **Vacuum Chamber Lid** on the Vacuum Chamber Base.



Ensure the lid forms a tight seal around the rim of the base, as poor sealing will negate the vacuum effects.

• It is recommended that the **Vacuum Chamber** be placed onto a **Microwavable Plastic Tray** to facilitate safe removal after processing.



• Insert the Vacuum Chamber into the Shandon TissueWave 2 .

Internal Connections

Once the **Vacuum Chamber** is inside the Shandon TissueWave 2 the various **Internal Connections** need to be established.

These connections will vary, depending on whether or not vacuum is required for the protocol.



Connections for Processing With Vacuum:

- Slide the **Temperature Probe** through the **Bushing** in the **Vacuum Chamber Lid**.
- The tip of the Temperature Probe should be at about the Half-Way Point of the Depth of Fluid and not in contact with any solid material.
- Securely fit the Vacuum Tube to the Central Connector on the Vacuum Chamber Lid.
- If the **Air Agitator** is not used, it can be disconnected from the coupling adjacent to the **Agitator Valve** on the chamber roof.
- The Exhaust Port should be left Open.

Note:

It is possible to engage the vacuum prior to the protocol step beginning, using the Vacuum Control Key on the Keypad.

This will ensure that the lid is properly seated and that a vacuum has been established before the protocol step begins.

 When fully engaged, the Vacuum Gauge should read approximately -15 inHg, although this may be affected by load and run volume.

Connections for Processing Without Vacuum:



- Mount **Temperature Probe** so that the tip is at about the **Half-Way Point** of the Depth of Fluid, and as close to the centre as possible and not in contact with any solid material.
- Connect the **Air Agitator Tube** to the coupling adjacent to the **Agitator Valve** on the **Microwave Chamber** roof.
- Immerse the open end of the **Air Agitator Tube** in the **Processing Fluid**.
- The Vacuum and Exhaust Ports should be left Open.

Running a Protocol



- After turning on the TissueWave 2 the **Welcome** screen will appear.
- Press the 'Start' Function Key.
- From the Protocol List, use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to highlight the protocol to be used.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- The **Protocol Options** screen will appear with **Run Protocol** highlighted.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- The **Run** screen will appear with the first step displayed alongside a list of checks to perform. Steps can be skipped using the '**Right' Arrow Key**.
- Press the 'Start' Function Key to begin the step.
- The step will run for the required time.
- The Step Complete screen will appear, giving the option to proceed to the Next Step.
- Once all steps are complete the **Welcome** screen will appear.





• Press the Run Key.

- The **Manual Run** screen displays a list of variables and their current values.
- Use the **Arrow Keys** to navigate between variables and to alter their values.
- Press the 'Start' Function Key.
- Perform the on-screen checks.
- Press the 'Start' Function Key.
- The **Run** screen will appear and the process will begin

The Shandon TissueWave 2 has two possible **Power Processes**.

Power These are:

Process

Running a

- Manual Power Process
- Protocol Power Process

Manual Power Process



Protocol Power Process

RUN PF	SCHIFF'S PROTOCOL	
PROCESS TEMP	000 °C	
TIMER MODE %POWER OUT AGITATION	POWER 000 VACUUM	BACK
	RUN TIME 00:00:00	

- Using the method described in **Chapter 4 'Editing Steps'**, set the **Timer Mode** to **Power** for all the steps in a Protocol.
- Run the Protocol as described in 'Running a **Protocol**'.

3 - Installation

System Specification

System Dimensions:	19"H x 21.5"W x 24.5"D (48.2 x 54.6 x 62.2 cm)
Microwave Chamber Dimensions:	9.5"H x 13.5"W x 15.5"D (24.1 x 34.3 x 39.4 cm)
System Mass:	78 lbs. (35.5 kg)
Input Current:	14A at 120V Nominal / 7.3A at 230V Nominal
Microwave Output Power:	825W Nominal (as measured by the 2 minute test method)
System Fusing:	2 x 15A Slow-Blow
Temperature Readout Refresh Rate:	Once per second
Temperature Readout Accuracy:	Temperature Error < 0.5°C
Power Control Accuracy:	Power Control Error < 1%
Air Agitation:	Flow Rate = 61 in ³ /min (0.001 m ³ /min) Nominal
Vacuum Pump Capacity:	Flow Rate = 2200 in ³ /min (0.036 m ³ /min)
Internal Lighting:	40W Incandescent Light Bulb
Fluid Ports:	Port size will accept up to 3/16" (5 mm) hose.

Locating the Shandon TissueWave 2

The Shandon TissueWave 2 should be located on a **non-flammable level bench or tabletop** with close proximity to **electrical power** and a **facility ventilation system**.

Consideration should be given to the surrounding work space to ensure that easy access to the material and equipment to be used with the Shandon TissueWave is provided as well as an adequate work surface area.

Power Requirements

It is highly recommended that the Shandon TissueWave be connected to a service outlet that is not used by any other device.

It should also be noted that the shortest possible distance between the service outlet and mains connection feeding the service will produce the best results in terms of consistent power output from the Shandon TissueWave. The specific service requirements are as follows:

•	120V Model -	15A Service	Minimum (20A	Recommended)
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• 230V Model - 10A Service Minimum (15A Recommended)

VentilationThe Shandon TissueWave Vent System is designed to connect to a
positively vented (powered) laboratory hood or building vent
stack.

A 4" (100 mm) Diameter Vent Hose is included with the unit for this purpose.

Caution should be used regarding the length and number of bends in this piece of ducting.

In general, right angle bends should be avoided and the total length of the hose should be kept to **less than 8 feet (2.4 m)**.

Cooling Requirements

The Shandon TissueWave draws cooling air through a **Filter** located on the right-hand, front, bottom surface of the unit and exhausts it through a port on the back wall.

Care should be taken to keep these air vents from being obstructed.

The protrusion of the **Vent System Housing** on the back will usually provide adequate clearance for the exhaust outlet.

Periodic cleaning of the **Inlet Screen** will also help ensure sufficient cooling for the **Magnetron** and other heat sensitive devices in the unit.



If airflow is restricted, the unit will not operate properly and the life of the electrical parts will be shortened.

4 - Programming

There are some concepts about the Shandon TissueWave 2 unit which should be understood prior to beginning programming.

Control The Shandon TissueWave 2 has two Control Modes which can be used:

- Temperature Control
- Power Control

Use the **Function Keys** to select **Temperature (T)** or **Power (P)** when prompted.

In **Temperature Control Mode**, the **Output Power** is continually adjusted to maintain a particular **Temperature Profile**.

The **Temperature Profile** can be further defined using the **Timer Mode** field.

The Timer Mode options are:

- **Time** @ Used to define the **Procedure Time** from the time when the **Solution** reaches the required temperature.
- **Time T** Used to define the **Total Procedure Time** including the **Ramp Time** required to achieve the correct temperature.

In Power Control Mode, the Output Power is held at a User-Defined Preset Value.

Solution Temperature is ignored as a control factor.

When using most **Published Procedures**, the user will need to use the **Temperature Control Mode**.

	In cases where a Specific Wattage is required, use the Conversion Table in Appendix D to determine the correct Power Setting .			
Proportional Band	The Proportional Band is a Pre-Defined Temperature Range used to control the Solution Temperature .			
	Essentially it provides a Feedback Loop which the Shandon TissueWave 2 uses to determine whether More or Less Power is required at any given time.			
Power Delivery	The Shandon TissueWave 2 uses Pulsating Power to control Temperature and Output Power .			
	This allows the Shandon TissueWave 2 to provide accurate temperature control and a smooth 'Temperature Curve'.			
Programming Features	The Shandon TissueWave 2 has a number of programming options available to allow it to be customized as required by the user.			
	The Features available are:			
	Add Protocol			
	Copy Protocol			
	Add Step			
	• Edit Step			
	Delete Step			
	Delete Protocol			
	Rename Protocol			

Add Protocol



- From the **Protocol List**, use the '**Up**' and '**Down' Arrow Keys** to highlight **New Protocol**.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- Use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to select a Protocol Name from the available options.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- Insert the required steps and edit them as required (see Add Step and Edit Step Flow Charts).

Copy Protocol



- From the **Protocol List**, use the '**Up**' and '**Down' Arrow Keys** to highlight the protocol to be copied.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- Use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to highlight Copy Protocol from the available options.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- Use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to highlight the Protocol Name required from the available options.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key to complete.



- From the Protocol List, use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to highlight the Protocol to be edited.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- Use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to highlight Edit Protocol from the list of options.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- Use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to highlight New Step.
- Press Enter to proceed.
- Use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to highlight the required step name.
- Press Enter to confirm.
- The step can then be edited as required (see Edit Step Flow Chart).

Edit Step



- From the Protocol List, use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to highlight the Protocol to be edited.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- Use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to highlight Edit Protocol from the list of options.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- Use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to highlight the step to be edited.
- Press the 'Right' Arrow to move the cursor to the first variable position of the step options.
- Use the **Arrow Keys** to navigate between variables and to alter their values.
- Press the 'Back' Function Key to move the cursor back to the Step Selection position.

Delete Step



Delete Protocol



- From the **Protocol List**, use the '**Up**' and '**Down' Arrow Keys** to highlight the Protocol to be deleted.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- Use the 'Up' and 'Down' Arrow Keys to select Delete Protocol from the available options.
- Press the 'Select' Function Key.
- Check that the correct **Protocol** has been selected.
- Press the 'Yes' Function Key.

Rename Protocol



5 - Troubleshooting

Warning Screens The Shandon TissueWave 2 provides informative **Warning Screens** and an **Audible Alert** when certain conditions or problems occur.

The following table lists the **Warning Screens**, their cause(s) and possible remedies for the appropriate faults.

Error Message	Cause	Remedy	
	Instrument is in the process of powering up	None - This is normal	
	Airflow has been significantly reduced	 Check for obstructions in the air-flow circuit 	
VENT SYSTEM INOPERATIVE THE VENT SYSTEM IS NOT WORKING PROPERLY. ENSURE FAN IS		Check for correct venting system	
OPERATING WITHOUT OBSTRUCTIONS		Check that the hose is properly attached	
		Turn power off and then back on	
		If problems persist call ThermoFisher Scientific Technical Support	
Keyboard Error	A key has been pressed for more than 3 seconds (See Stuck Key Identification)	This is a fatal error	
A KEY HAS BEEN PRESSED FOR MORE THAN 3 SECONDS OR A KEY IS STUCK. THIS ERROR REGUIRES POWER SHUT-DOWN FOR RECOVERY ATTEMPT. CHECK KEYBOARD.		Turn power off and then back on	
		If problems persist call ThermoFisher Scientific Technical Support	
		Check fluid level is appropriate	
SET POINT TEMPERATURE	Measured temperature has exceeded the set-point temperature by 6°C	Check power settings	
OVERSHOOT HAS CAUSED SYSTEM SHUT DOWN CHECK FOR DISCONNECTED/DAMAGED PROBE FROME TEMP AND		 Check temperature probe placement and connections 	
		Check probe for damage	
		 If problems persist call ThermoFisher Scientific Technical Support 	

SYSTEM OVERTEMPERATURE ! THE CHARMER IS OVERTEMPERATURE USE CAUTION!! CHECK CHARMER CONTENTS.	Microwave chamber temperature too high	Turn power off and allow chamber to cool If problems persist call ThermoFisher Scientific Technical Support
		Check fluid level is appropriate
		Check power settings
HIGH PROBE TEMPERATURE HAS CAUSED STSTEM SHUTDOWN CHECK FOR DISCONNECTED/DAMAGED PROBE	Measured temperature exceeds 120°C	 Check temperature probe placement and connections
000 °C PROBE TEMP		• Turn power off and then back on
		Check probe for damage
		 If problems persist call ThermoFisher Scientific Technical Support
LOW PROBE TEMPERATURE HAS CAUSED SYSTEM SHUTDOWN CHECK FOR DISCONNECTED-DOMINACED PROBE	Measured temperaure is less than 5°C	Check probe for damage
000 °C PROBE TEMP		If problems persist call ThermoFisher Scientific Technical Support

Stuck Key Identification

If a **Keyboard Error** occurs, the key which is causing the problem can be identified using the following diagram:





Note: A 'O' in any of these positions indicates a stuck key.

Other Faults There are also some faults which may occur, for which no **Warning Screen** is provided.

The following table lists those most commonly encountered:

Problem	Remedy			
	 Check that the Tubing is properly connected to the Chamber Lid 			
	• Check that the Chamber Lid is securely fitted and makes a good contact at all points			
	Check the Chamber Lid mating surfaces for damage			
Unable to draw a vacuum on the vacuum	Check the Bushing around the Temperature Probe			
chamber	Check that the Vacuum Control Knob is set correctly			
	Check that the Vacuum Gauge is working correctly			
	 Check that the seal between the Vacuum Chamber and its Lid is clear of debris. 			
	If problems persist call ThermoFisher Scientific Technical Support			
	 Check that the Temperature probe is correctly positioned 			
	Check the Power Settings			
	Check that the Load is correct for the Power Setting			
Unable to achieve set temperature	 Check that the Preset Temperature has not been changed 			
	• Use marble chips if necessary			
	If using paraffin (wax), ensure the temperature of the molten paraffin is close to the Preset Temperature before processing			
	 If problems persist call ThermoFisher Scientific Technical Support 			

Watchdog Timer When the Shandon TissueWave 2 is set to Time at Temperature (Time @) Mode, the process is only terminated when the Countdown Timer reaches zero.

If the **Timer** should fail to start it can cause indefinite heating of the process materials and possible loss of reagents and / or specimens.

This situation can arise if:

- The Temperature Probe is not placed in the reagent being heated.
- The reagent does not absorb the microwave energy sufficiently to reach the **Set Point Temperature**.

The **Watchdog Timer** is designed to prevent such an occurrence by automatically terminating the process if the **Process Timer** has not started within a fixed time period.

The default Watchdog Timer value is 10 minutes.

In the event that the **Watchdog Timer** terminates the process the following screen will be displayed.

WATCHDOG TIMER EXPIRED!

THE SYSTEM TIMER HAS FAILED TO START. CHECK PROCESS CONTENTS. ENSURE TEMPERATURE PROBE IS IN PLACE. POSSIBLE TEMPERATURE MEASURMENT SYSTEM MALFUNCTION. CHECK PROBE SYSTEM.

6 - Maintenance and Cleaning



Before using any cleaning or decontamination method except those recommended by the manufacturer, users should check with the manufacturer that the proposed method will not damage the equipment.



To avoid danger of electric shock, never remove the Outer Case of this instrument!

The **Outer Case** should only be removed by an **Authorized Service Engineer.**

Removal of the **Outer Case** by **Non-Authorized Personnel** will **Invalidate** the **Warranty**.



Keep the Air Filter clean.

The **Air Filter** is located under the instrument directly below the **Control Panel**.

Wash the **Air Filter** with **Detergent** and **Water**, and **Dry** thoroughly before replacing.



Keep the Microwave Chamber and Door clear from debris and ensure any spilt reagent is cleaned up before use.

Clean surfaces using a Soft Cloth or Sponge and a Mild Detergent.

Do not use excessive amounts of water.

Do not use **Abrasive Cleaners** or cleaners which contain **Ammonia**.

Never pour water into the Microwave Chamber.

A **Cup of Water** can be boiled in the **Microwave Chamber** to soften debris before cleaning.

Dry thoroughly before use.

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PRODUCT RETURN SAFETY DECLARATION

Part 1 Decontamination Certificate

Any instrument or part of any instrument must be clean before being returned, and where necessary accompanied by a completed Decontamination Certificate. Should the instrument or any part of it be received in an unclean condition, or Thermo Fisher Scientific consider it to be a hazard, the instrument or part will be returned unrepaired at the expense of the customer.
It is important that the certificate is forwarded by post or fax, and a copy attached to the exterior of the container. Containers will not be opened until the company is in possession of the required certificate.
This form MUST be completed by the customer and NOT by a Thermo Fisher or distributor employee.
If an instrument or part is to be returned to Thermo Fisher Scientific, please note the following:
1 If the instrument or any part of it has been exposed to, or been in contact with potential pathogenic or radioactive material, it is essential that it is decontaminated.
2 Set procedures are laid down in the European Health and Safety Directives for decontamination. To avoid any misunderstanding, we request that all instruments or parts returned to us must be accompanied by a certificate stating the following:
We certify that this (Model) Serial No
 has not been exposed to pathogenic, radioactive or other hazardous material and has been cleaned
OR • has been decontaminated and cleaned (if exposed to the above) according to approved procedures following exposure to:
 Has the instrument been used for work with human or animal Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies, e.g. Creutzfeld-Jacob disease, Scrapie or BSE? YES / NO If yes, please contact Thermo Fisher Service before taking any further action.
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Appendix A - Approved Reagents

Introduction Thermo Fisher Scientific have approved the use of the following reagents with the TissueWave 2.

If the use of a reagent not on this list is required, contact your Thermo Fisher agent for advice.



The Shandon TissueWave 2 should not be used to heat any of the following:

- Potentially explosive substances.
- Solvents
- Concentrated Strong Acids / Alkalis
- Reagents containing Calcium Chloride



Refer to Material Safety Data-Sheets when handling reagents.

Reagent List

Dehydrants	Isopropanol Ethanol Industrial Methylated Spirits (IMS) Reagent Alcohol	Up to 5% Methanol in Ethanol
Clearants	Presolve™ Clearant Isopropanol	
Infiltrants	Paraffin Wax	
Fixatives	Formalin 10% Zinc Formalin Glyo-Fixx™	Ensure proper ventilation when using Formalin based reagents
Epitope Retreival	Sodium Citrate Buffer PBS (Phosphate-Buffered Saline)	0.1 mol/l
Cleaning Agents	Water Dilute Detergent	
Also	Standard Decalcification Solutions	Wipe chamber with a damp paper towel and dry thoroughly after use to prevent corrosion
	Staining Solutions	See Protocol Booklet

Appendix B - List of Available Names

The following table contains the pre-programmed names available for identifying **Protocols** and **Steps**.

POSITION	NAME	POSITION	NAME	POSITION	NAME
1	1MM BIOPSY	41	FIXATION 2	81	PLAQUE
2	"PA SCHIFF S"	42	HIER 1	82	P53
3	RAPID MUCIN	43	HIER 2	83	RETICULIN
4	GOMORI TRICHROME	44	IHC 1	84	ACID FAST
5	PROTOCOL 1	45	IHC 2	85	ALCIAN BLUE
6	PROTOCOL 2	46	STAT RUN	86	DIFF QUICK
7	PROTOCOL 3	47	SHORT RUN	87	GIEMSA
8	PROTOCOL 4	48	LONG RUN	88	GMS
9	FIXATION	49	THICK	89	GORDON SWEET
10	DEHYDRATION	50	THIN	90	GRAM
11	INFILTRATION	51	FISH	91	GROCOTT
12	PERIODIC ACID	52	CISH	92	MALLORY
13	"SCHIFF S"	53	CYTO	93	MASSONS
14	FAST GREEN	54	GLYOXAL	94	MORDANT
15	FUCHSIN	55	FORMALIN	95	MUCICARMINE
16	"BOUIN S"	56	UNMASK	96	PERIODIC SCHIFF
17	FE HEMATOXYLIN	57	BLOOD	97	SAFRANIN
18	STEP 1	58	BLOODY	98	SILVER
19	STEP 2	59	BONE 1	99	SPORE
20	STEP 3	60	BONE 2	100	STEINER
21	STEP 4	61	BRAIN	101	TRICHROME
22	STEP 5	62	BREAST	102	WARTHIN STARRY
23	STEP 6	63	CALCIFIED	103	ASSAY
24	STEP 7	64	COLON	104	BEEM
25	CLEARING	65	FATTY	105	BROWN & BREM
26	STAINING 1	66	GI	106	COLLOIDAL
27	STAINING 2	67	LIVER	107	CUVETTE
28	STAINING 3	68	LUNG	108	INCUBATION
29	STAINING 4	69	LYMPHATIC	109	KINYON
30	PROCESSING 1	70	MUSCLE	110	MYCO
31	PROCESSING 2	71	NAIL	111	OSO2
32	USER 1	72	NEURON	112	PETRI
33	USER 2	73	PLACENTA	113	POC
34	USER 3	74	SKIN	114	POLYMERIZE
35	USER 4	75	ELASTIN	115	SLIDE DRY
36	DECAL 1	76	FIBRIN	116	SUSPENSION
37	DECAL 2	77	KERATIN	117	VERHOEFF
38	BIOPSY 1	78	MELANIN	118	VIRUS
39	BIOPSY 2	79	COLLAGEN	119	ZINC
40	FIXATION 1	80	FUNGUS	120	ASTROCYTE

Appendix C - Graph of Power Output

If a procedure uses a **Power Setting (in Watts)** as opposed to a **Temperature Reading**, the **Power Process Operation Method** should be used.

The following graph can be used to identify the **Power (Watts) Output** for a given **Duty Cycle (%)**.



Notes:

The Power Output shown in the graph is a theoretical value based on a nominal line voltage input into the microwave unit.

The Actual Power Output will vary depending on the available line voltage.

Appendix D - Power Output Confidence Test

The **Power Output Confidence Test** provides an approximate qualitative measure of **Microwave Output Performance**.

During this two minute test, the unit will monitor the percentage of power output and the wattage output.

Influences on the Wattage Output include:

- Input Line Voltage
- Line Inductance
- Magnetron Temperature
- Age of the Instrument.

The Power Output Confidence Test is performed using the following method:



- After turning on the TissueWave 2 the **Welcome** screen will appear.
- Hold down the Enter Key and the 'Down' Arrow Key simultaneously.
- The Start Power Output Test screen will appear.
- Fill a the Processing Bowl with 1 litre of water and place it in the centre of the Microwave Chamber.
- Place the **Temperature Probe** centrally in the water
- Press the Start Function Key.
- The TissueWave 2 will run for 2 minutes, at **100% Power Output**.
- The Wattage Output and Temperature will be monitored by the system and the results displayed on the screen.
- Correct operating power should be between the **High and Low** Lines on the **Power Output Graph** shown in **Appendix C**.
- After completing the test the Power Process Complete screen will appear with the final Temperature and Power Output shown.
- To return to the **Welcome** screen press the **Back Function Key**.

Appendix E - Accessories

Description	Part No.
Air Agitator Tubing	B35240039
Excelsior Organized Basket	A78410025
Air Adjustment Screw	B35240005
Fuse, 15A	B35240014
AC Input Fuse Holder	B35240013
Interior Lamp	B35240015
Microwavable Specimen Container	B1002517
Operator Guide	B35210021
Temperature Probe	B35240003
Vacuum Chamber	B35210001
Microwavable Plastic Coplin Staining Jar	194
Microwavable Plastic Spill-Free Slide Jar - each	1001362
Microwavable Plastic Spill-Free Slide Jar - 12/Pk.	1001363
Microwavable Plastic Spill-Free Slide Jar - 48/Cs.	1001361
Microwave Tissue Processing Starter Kit	B35210002
Microwave Staining Starter Kit	B35210003
Plastic Staining Dish and Cover	195
Plastic Staining Rack - 25 Slide Capacity	196

Appendix F - Warranty and Declaration of Conformity

We at Thermo Fisher Scientific are proud of our quality, reliability and of our after-sales service. We continuously strive to improve our service to our customers.

Please ask your distributor or Thermo Fisher representative about Service Contracts which can keep your purchase in peak condition for many years to come.

Warranty provisions necessarily vary to comply with differences in national and regional legislation. Specific details can be found in the delivery documentation or from your dealer or representative.

Please note that your warranty may be invalidated if:

- This instrument is modified in any way.
- Accessories and reagents which have not been approved by Thermo Fisher Scientific are used
- This instrument is not operated or maintained in accordance with the instructions in this Operator Guide.



Declaration of Conformity

This Declaration of Conformity is only valid when the instrument is used in accordance with the Operator Guide

Manufacturer's Name:	Thermo Shandon Limited (Trading as Thermo Fisher Scientific)		
Manufacturer's Address:	Chadwick Road, Astmoor, Runcorn,		
	Cheshire, WA7 1PR		
	ENGLAND		
Product Description:	Laboratory Microwave Tissue Processor		
Product Designation: Part numbers:	Shandon TissueWave [®] 2 B35600001, B35600002 including accessories supplied as standard		

Year of Marking (CE): 2005

This product conforms with the essential requirements of the following directives:

In Vitro Diagnostics Directive 98/79/EC

Low Voltage Directive 2006/95/EC

This product complies with the following International Standards:

EMC: EN/EC 613261997 Inc A 1:1998 + A 2 2001 + A 3 2003

Safety: EN 61010-1:2001 CAN/CSA C22.2No. 61010-1-04 UL 61010-1, 1stedition

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Optional accessories considered subject to the In Vitro Diagnostics Directive (IVDD) are specifically identified on this Declaration of Conformity. Further supplies of standard accessories are treated as spares. Convenience aids offered as accessories are not subject to the IVDD.

Appendix G - Technical Specifications

Overall Width		21.5″	(54.6 cm)
Overall Depth		24.5″	(62.2 cm)
Overall Height		19″	(48.2 cm)
Chamber Width		13.5″	(34.3 cm)
Chamber Depth		15.5″	(39.4 cm)
Chamber Height		9.5″	(24.1 cm)
Mass		78 lbs	(35.5 kg)
Voltage		120 V / 2	40 V
Current		14 A (12	0 V)
		7.3 A (24	0 V)
Frequency			50/60 Hz
Maximum supply vo nominal supply volta	oltage fluctuations not age.	to exceed ±	10% of the
Fuses	(120 V Unit)	15 A / 250	V Slow Blow
	(230 V Unit)	10 A / 250	V Slow Blow
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Power Off			0
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Environment	General	Indoor Use Only
	Operating Temperature	5°C to 40°C
	Storage Temperature	-25°C to 55°C (+70°C for short exposure)
	Humidity	Maximum 80% RH to 31°C
		decreasing linearly to 50% RH at 40°C
	Altitude	Up to 2000 m
	Pollution Degree	2
	Over Voltage Category	II

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