

The Magill Forceps Infant 16cm Stainless Steel (VM-MFC16) is a 16cm infant-sized angled airway forceps scaled for the smaller airway dimensions of neonates and infants. It is used during neonatal resuscitation, paediatric anaesthesia and emergency airway management to guide nasotracheal tubes through the larynx, or to retrieve foreign bodies under direct laryngoscopic vision when a child has aspirated an object. It is made from stainless steel, has a ring (scissor) grip handle, and is autoclavable with 134°C steam sterilisation. Available in South Africa from Vital Medical.

Infant-Sized Magill Forceps for Neonatal Airways

Magill forceps are an angled instrument used under direct laryngoscopy to guide nasotracheal tubes into the trachea and to retrieve foreign bodies from the airway. The VM-MFC16 is the 16cm infant-sized version, scaled for the smaller airway dimensions of neonates and infants. It is used during neonatal resuscitation, paediatric anaesthesia and emergency airway management. The instrument is made from stainless steel and has a ring (scissor) grip handle.

Paediatric Airway Considerations

Infant airways differ significantly from adult airways. They are proportionally narrower, more anterior and more easily traumatised. The 16cm size of the VM-MFC16 allows adequate reach into the infant hypopharynx without the bulk of larger instruments compromising the already limited view. The forceps guide nasotracheal tubes through the larynx, or retrieve a foreign body under direct laryngoscopic vision when a child has aspirated an object. Paediatric airway skills require specific training, so these forceps should be used by clinicians experienced in neonatal and infant airway management.

Range, Sterilisation and Deployment

Magill forceps are supplied in three sizes to cover the full patient spectrum: the VM-MFC16 (16cm infant), the VM-MFC19 (19cm child) and the VM-MFA24 (24cm adult). All sizes are stainless steel and autoclavable at 134°C. Keeping all three sizes in emergency departments, paediatric wards and ALS bags means the correct instrument is always at hand. Available in South Africa from Vital Medical, the VM-MFC16 suits hospitals, neonatal units, EMS services and clinics that need to equip or replace infant airway management instruments.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS TABLE

Specification	Detail
Brand	Vital Medical
SKU	VM-MFC16
Type	Magill angled forceps
Size	Infant
Length	16cm
Material	Stainless steel
Handle	Ring (scissor) grip
Application	Neonatal/infant intubation, airway foreign body
Sterilisation	Autoclavable (134°C steam)

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