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- (iii) The probable risks and benefits associated with the use of the device;
- (iv) Post-procedure care instructions; and
- (v) Alternative treatments.

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§ 878.4700 Surgical microscope and accessories.

- (a) *Identification*. A surgical microscope and accessories is an AC-powered device intended for use during surgery to provide a magnified view of the surgical field.
- (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 §878.9.

[55 FR 48440, Nov. 20, 1990, as amended at 59 FR 63010, Dec. 7, 1994; 66 FR 38803, July 25, 2001]

§878.4730 Surgical skin degreaser or adhesive tape solvent.

- (a) *Identification*. A surgical skin degreaser or an adhesive tape solvent is a device that consists of a liquid such as 1,1,2-trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane; 1,1,1-trichloroethane; and 1,1,1-trichloroethane with mineral spirits intended to be used to dissolve surface skin oil or adhesive tape.
- (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 §878.9.

[53 FR 23872, June 24, 1988, as amended at 59 FR 63010, Dec. 7, 1994; 66 FR 38803, July 25, 2001]

§878.4740 Surgical stapler.

- (a) Surgical stapler for external use.
- (1) *Identification*. A surgical stapler for external use is a specialized prescription device used to deliver compatible staples to skin during surgery.
- (2) 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 §878.9.
 - (b) Surgical stapler for internal use.
- (1) *Identification*. A surgical stapler for internal use is a specialized prescription device used to deliver compatible staples to internal tissues dur-

ing surgery for resection, transection, and creating anastomoses.

- (2) Classification. Class II (special controls). The special controls for this device are:
- (i) Performance testing must demonstrate that the stapler, when used with compatible staples, performs as intended under anticipated conditions of use. Performance testing must include the following:
- (A) Evaluation of staple formation characteristics in the maximum and minimum tissue thicknesses for each staple type;
- (B) For manual staplers only, measurement of the worst-case deployment pressures on stapler firing force;
- (C) Measurement of staple line strength;
- (D) Confirmation of staple line integrity; and
- (E) In vivo confirmation of staple line hemostasis.
- (ii) For powered staplers only, appropriate analysis/testing must demonstrate the electromagnetic compatibility and electrical, thermal, and mechanical safety of the device.
- (iii) For powered staplers only, appropriate software verification, validation, and hazard analysis must be performed.
- (iv) Human factors testing must demonstrate that the clinician can correctly select and safely use the device, as identified in the labeling, based on reading the directions for use.
- (v) The elements of the device that may contact the patient must be demonstrated to be biocompatible.
- (vi) Performance data must demonstrate the sterility of the device.
- (vii) Validation of cleaning and sterilization instructions must demonstrate that any reusable device components can be safely and effectively reprocessed per the recommended cleaning and sterilization protocol in the labeling.
- (viii) Performance data must support the shelf life of the device by demonstrating continued device functionality, sterility, and package integrity over the identified shelf life.
- (ix) Labeling of the device must include the following:
- (A) Unless data demonstrates the safety of doing so, contraindications