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SAFETY ADVISORY NOTICE IMPORTANT

As part of our ongoing development program for veterinarian oxygen therapy units we have identified a potential fire risk in certain models of TLC and Vetario. Models affected are: Brinsea TLC-4M and TLC-5M, Vetario S10 and S20. We are actively investigating the level of risk and potential solutions but in the meantime we advise the following:

Only use the TLC or Vetario intensive care unit EITHER with oxygen OR with power connected, not with oxygen and mains power connected simultaneously.

The risk involves the increased potential for combustion associated with elevated oxygen concentration levels but it is safe to use the units as a warming chamber without oxygen or as an oxygen chamber with the electrical supply to the product disconnected.

There have been no incidents or problems reported to us but the potential harm that could result from a fire in the presence of high levels of oxygen is extremely serious, hence our decision to issue this advice. Please ensure that all users of your Intensive Care unit are informed of this advice. We will contact you again in the near future with the outcome of our investigation and any action that may be required.

Note that later Vetario S40M and S50M models are not affected by this advice and can continue to be used in both oxygen and heating modes simultaneously. If you need any further information please contact sales@brinsea.co.uk or 0845 226 0120