## TRAVEL BOTTLE

# removes 99.999% bacteria reduces virus, arsenic and fluoride 0.2 micron filter

The water bottle comes with the filter preinstalled. Remove the bottle from its plastic bag, unscrew the lid, remove the instructions, and fill with water.

- Allow a few minutes for the filter to become saturated with water.
- 2. Try to pull water through the filter, up the straw and out the mouthpiece.
- 3. When you are able to pull water through the mouthpiece, you might have a small amount of charcoal dust or chips with the first mouthful of water. This is normal and safe.
- 4. As the filter and charcoal become completely saturated with water, the flow rate will increase slightly.
- 5. If you are using fairly clean water the filter may not have to be cleaned very often.
- 6. If using turbid water, the filter will become clogged and will have to be cleaned.
- 7. An indication that the filter needs to be cleaned is that it becomes harder and harder to pull water through the filter and into the straw.

#### **CLEANING THE FILTER**

The filter should be replaced after 200 bottle refills or when the taste of the water changes.

- 1. Unscrew the lid and remove the filter from the bottle.
- 2. DO NOT REMOVE THE CONNECTOR FROM THE LID OR THE CONNECTOR FROM THE STRAW.
- 3. Do not remove the filter from the connector. Hold onto the base of the filter and use a soft abrasive pad (not metal) to gently rub the surface of the filter.
- 4. Rinse with water.
- 5. Fill bottle with water and place filter into the bottle and screw on the lid.
- 6. Wash hands with soap and water or hand sanitizer.

#### **BACKFLUSH CLEANING METHOD**

- 1. After the filter has been cleaned with the abrasive pad and rinsed with water you can use this method to enhance the filter's cleaning.
- 2. Place mouthpiece into your mouth and blow. The water in the supply tube (which is filtered water) will be force back through the filter. This will provide some extra cleaning to the filter.

### **REPLACING THE FILTER**

Replace the filter after 200 bottle refills.

- 1. Remove the new filter from its box and unscrew the wing nut.
- 2. Unscrew the bottle lid and remove the filter.
- 3. DO NOT REMOVE THE STRAW FROM THE LID OR THE CONNECTORS FROM THE STRAW OR LID.

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- 4. Hold onto the connector and unscrew the filter.
- 5. Install the new filter immediately. Continue to turn the filter, until tight.
- 6. Fill bottle with water and place filter into the bottle and screw on the lid.
- 7. Wash hands with soap and water or hand sanitizer.

Periodically the bottle and lid and straw should be cleaned. **DO NOT USE SOAP AS THIS WILL RUIN THE FILTER.** 

- 1. Remove the lid and filter from the bottle.
- 2. Unscrew the filter from the connector.
- 3. Place the lid with the straw and the bottle in regular chlorinated water for about 30 minutes.
- 4. Air dry.

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