Frequency of Use
Per AAMI standards, steam sterilizers should be biologically tested at least weekly, preferably daily and with every load containing an implant.

Instructions for Use
1. Place a Test Pack in the sterilizer on the lowest shelf over the drain along with a full load.
2. Process the load as usual according to the sterilizer manufacturer’s instructions.
3. After processing, carefully remove the pack and allow to cool before opening.
4. Confirm that the indicator on the pack has changed color, then remove the BI and Load Record Card from the center of the Test Pack.
5. Confirm that the dark bar on the integrator has entered the orange SAFE area.
6. Activate the BI vial and incubate at 55 to 60°C for 24 hours. A yellow color change in the media of a processed BI indicates a sterilizer failure.
7. Complete the Load Record Card and retain as physical proof of sterilization.

Storage and Shelf Life
Store at room temperature (15°C/59°F to 30°C/86°F) and 30-70% relative humidity away from sterilants. The Steam BI Test Pack has an 18 month shelf life from date of manufacture.

Reference
AAMI (Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation)