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(57) Abstract

A tampon inserter is included in a package of about the size used for conventional digital tampons, without a decrease in the number of such tampons in the package. The inserter provides an alternate means for insertion of digital and other tampons and may be used as a training device for new users.

