

**SPECIFICATION
FOR
WASHCLOTHS, DISPOSABLE**

(This specification is released for procurement purposes until revised or rescinded).

SCOPE

This specification covers the requirements for disposable washcloths for managing incontinence.

I. APPLICABLE STANDARDS

None

II. CLASSIFICATION

Category A - Minimum 20% Biodegradable Content

III. REQUIREMENTS

1. *Products shall contain a moisturizer such as aloe, lanoline, or propylene glycol to prevent drying of the skin.*
2. *The size of the washcloth shall be a minimum of approximately 90 square inches*
3. *Construction shall be approximately 15 mils wet thickness or greater.*
4. *Material shall contain a minimum 20% of fully biodegradable cellulose fibers.*
5. *Material shall provide a minimum tensile strength of 500 grams per inch in either transverse or longitudinal directions of the non-woven fiber.*
6. *The surface of the cloth shall have an open fiber structure or textured surface for effective fecal cleansing. Products need not be necessarily of a heavy basis weight or have an embossed surface to comply with this requirement.*
7. *The surface of the wipe shall be soft for use with sensitive and compromised skin.*
8. *Each cloth shall be folded to for easy removal.*
9. *The cloth shall be treated with a lotion and wetting agent that contains a cleansing agent.*
10. *Agents for treating the cloth shall be buffered to a pH level of 4 to 5.5 maximum.*
11. *A preservative is to be added to protect against bacterial growth and mold.*
12. *The cloth shall be alcohol free.*
13. *The user must be able to easily open the package lid with one hand.*
14. *Any active ingredients shall be listed on the label.*
15. *A "Skin Protectant" as defined and regulated by the FDA may be included, such as an Allantoin, Sulfur, Tannic Acid, and Zinc Acetate.*
16. *The washcloths are to be provided in soft collapsible packs an easy to open re-sealable hard plastic top. An adhesive strip is unacceptable for the top opening.*

IV. WARRANTY

The contractor warrants to the owner that all products furnished under this specification will be new, of good materials and workmanship, and agrees to replace promptly any product which by reason of defective materials or workmanship shall fail this specification. Such replacement shall be free of any charge to the owner or his representative.

V. ACCEPTANCE EVALUATION AND QUALITY ASSURANCE

1. The washcloth may be evaluated for acceptance by a committee composed of representatives of the using agencies and institutions. The committee, at its discretion, may recommend rejection of any product that it deems not acceptable.
2. The State also reserves the right to request testing by a third party independent laboratory to determine compliance with the specifications during the contract duration. The bidder shall be responsible for providing the additional samples and all cost associated with the testing shall be borne by the bidder.

VI. DELIVERY AND PAYMENT

Delivery and payment for commodities under this specification shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Invitation for Bids. The contractor shall be responsible for any packing, packaging, or protection required to insure delivery in undamaged condition.

VII. ORDERING DATA (For Purchase and Contract Use Only)

Purchasers should exercise any desired option offered herein and should specify the following in the requisition and Invitation for Bids:

1. Title, number, and date of this specification
2. Type (See CLASSIFICATION)
3. Packaging requirements

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