

Big wipes, great protection

New Big Wipes from Sycamore claim to provide instant low-cost protection against workplace bacteria and dermatitis

New disposable wipes which offer 'unprecedented cleaning power' together with instant protection against common workplace ailments such as contact dermatitis and life-threatening bacteria including MRSA, C. Dif., E-Coli 157, Weils, Salmonella, Staphylococcus and Listeria have been developed by waterless cleaning specialist, Sycamore UK.

The NHS-tested antibacterial Industrial Big Wipes kill over 99% of all harmful bacteria and will greatly reduce the risk of contaminating food, drinks or towels. They quickly remove hazardous residues, such as high performance coatings, sealants and adhesives which are known to be carcinogenic and to cause dermatitis. The wipes will also remove oil, tar, grease, paint, permanent marker and general grime making them suitable for all industrial and service environments, including hygiene-critical healthcare, food preparation and agricultural facilities. Mobile engineering and maintenance units which may not have access to water will find the pre-moistened, ready-to-use wipes an aid to cleanliness and hygiene.

Pre-impregnated with a blend of safely-diluted cleaning solvents and emulsifiers for use, they are fully compliant with the recently updated EU Cosmetics Directive and are claimed to be kind to even sensitive skin.

The new Big Wipes come in three variants: standard Industrial Big

Wipes; Industrial+ Big Wipes which have a textured underside for stubborn grime; and new biodegradable Industrial Green Big Wipes which have the same heavy-duty cleaning properties as the standard wipes but are not antibacterial.

In sterile, handy foil sealed and re-sealable tubs of 80 or 40 large pre-impregnated cloths – plus pocket-sized 10 and 20-wipe wallets – the disposable wipes will help businesses to meet their statutory hygiene targets while also providing an effective clean-up solution. Bulk buckets containing 250 large Industrial+ wipes are also available. Cloth sizes are generous, ranging from 30x20cm (250 and 80-wipe tubs) and 25x17cm (40-wipe tubs) to 20x18cm (Industrial+ 20-wipe wallet) and 19x16.5cm (Industrial 10-wipe wallet).

"Low-cost, proven antibacterial wipes can often enable employers to meet EU health and safety regulations without capital investment in new or upgraded washroom facilities," says Nigel Dibbo Sycamore UK MD. The company is looking for distributors in the PPE sector.



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Grime and grease pose problems

SCA Tissue Europe's Mark Riley looks at the types of wipers that can tackle the toughest jobs in industrial workshops

In the past, practically every factory was potentially a dirty environment and it was common for factory workers to keep a rag in their pocket to wipe off dirt from their hands. But industry has changed dramatically over the past 25 years. Traditional 'dirty' environments such as print shops and pressrooms have made way for digital printing centres, which means that manual cleaning

methods have generally been replaced by in-line cleaning. A greater reliance on automation in other industries, too, has led to a need for clean room products and lint-free wipers that avoid scratching screens and delicate components.

But dirt is still a necessary evil in many industrial environments, and disposable non-woven wipers are usually chosen for tackling the toughest of industrial tasks because they are stronger and more

absorbent than paper wipers. They are also more effective when used with solvents since unlike paper wipes they will not break up.

In industries where large amounts of oil and grease are involved – a wiper that works well with high-viscose substances is required. Many textile rags are not designed to absorb oils. SCA Tissue Europe has developed Tork Advanced 440 specifically for use with oil. This is a tough, four-ply cellulose wiper that is effective when cleaning high viscose oils and lubricants.

Where particularly dirty surfaces are being cleaned, a solvent is usually needed to dissolve the grease and soiling. Here you will need a strong, absorbent wiper that also has good liquid release properties. Paper disposables would not work here as they will break up in the solvent, however most rags will absorb the solvent and fail to release it effectively on to the wiping surface. Disposable non-woven wipers such as Tork Premium 530 work well in this context. Tork Premium 530 is sufficiently bulky to provide protection for the hands. It will also absorb solvent and release it, retaining less solvent in the cloth.

Where more heavy-duty soiling remains on the hands, Tork Premium Wet Wipes are non-woven and impregnated with a mix of surfactants plus an oil-in-water emulsion. They are designed to remove stubborn dirt.

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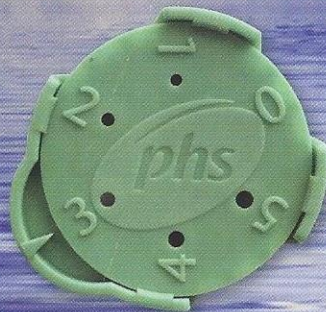
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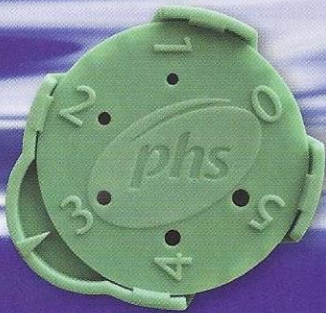
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