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FOR COSMETIC INDUSTRY  
(METRIC UNITS)**

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## FOREWORD

This Sri Lanka Standard Specification was prepared by the Drafting Committee for Kaolin for Cosmetic Industry. It was approved by the Agricultural and Chemicals Divisional Committee of the Bureau of Ceylon Standards and was authorised for adoption and publication by the Council of the Bureau on 21st May, 1974.

There are large deposits of kaolin in this country. The crude kaolin refined is now used in large quantities as a raw material for several products. Refined kaolin conforming to certain quality standards could be used in varying proportions in cosmetic preparations including talcum powder meant for infants. This standard does not specify the proportions in which it should be used in the different cosmetic industries. Products containing kaolin should be clinically tested before they are introduced for general use.

This standard is subject to the restrictions imposed under the Ceylon Food and Drugs Act and the regulations framed thereunder wherever applicable.

In cosmetics prepared from kaolin, freedom from grit is an important attribute. Till such time as a reproducible method of test for this characteristic is developed, the method given in Appendix A shall be used for testing freedom from grit.

Dimensions and other characteristics of this specification are given in metric units. For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this standard is complied with, the final value observed or calculated expressing the result of a test or observation, shall be rounded off in accordance with C.S. 102 : Ceylon Standard on Presentation of Numerical Values. The number of figures to be retained in the rounded off values shall be the same as that of the specified value in this standard.

The assistance obtained from the publications of the Indian Standards Institution in the preparation of this standard is acknowledged.

## 1. SCOPE

This standard prescribes the requirements and methods of sampling and test for kaolin (china-clay) for use in cosmetic industry.

## 2. REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 Description**—The material shall be finely powdered, natural mineral kaolinite consisting essentially of hydrated aluminium silicate. The material shall be essentially insoluble in water and mineral acids.
- 2.2** The material shall also comply with the requirements laid down in Table 1.

## 3. METHODS OF TEST

The material shall be tested in accordance with the methods prescribed in Appendix A.

## 4. PACKING AND MARKING

- 4.1** The material shall be packed in well-closed containers as agreed to between the purchaser and the supplier.
- 4.2** The packages shall be securely closed and legibly marked with the following:
- (a) Name of the material;
  - (b) Manufacturer's or supplier's name;
  - (c) Mass of the material in the package;
  - (d) Recognized trade-mark, if any; and
  - (e) Batch number or code number;

## 5. SAMPLING

- 5.1** The method for preparing representative test samples of the material and the criterion for conformity shall be as given in Appendix B.