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FOREWORD

This Sri Lanka Standard was approved by the Sectoral Committee on Chemical and Polymer Technology and was authorized for adoption and publication as a Sri Lanka Standard by the Council of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution on 2016-06-23.

Synthetic detergent powders are intended for cleaning laundry with mixtures of chemicals including anionic, cationic and non-ionic surface active agents to improve the performance of cleaning even in hard or acidic water.

This standard focus on the detergent powders indicating mainly anionic surfactants, and hence the method involved in the determination of active ingredient content is a measure of same.

This Standard was first published in 1986. In this First Revision, the requirements for non detergent organic matter, available O_2 as sodium perborate and heavy metal limits are introduced. The requirements for total phosphates and matter insoluble in water have been revised. The requirement for sodium silicates has been withdrawn. A method for the evaluation of skin irritation of synthetic laundry detergent powder and a method for the determination of biodegradability have been included. The method of test for the determination of matter insoluble in water has been changed.

This standard is subject to the restrictions imposed by any applicable regulatory authority.

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 an analysis, shall be rounded off in accordance with **SLS 102**. The number of figures to be retained in the rounded off value shall be the same as that of the specified value in this specification.

In the preparation of this standard, the assistance derived from the following publications is gratefully acknowledged:

| DEAS 127 -2: 2013 | Synthetic detergent powders |
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| | Part 2 : Machine wash |
| IS 4955 : 2001 | Household Laundry detergent powders - Specification |
| IS 7597 : 2001 | Surface active agents – Glossary of terms |
| IS 11601: 2002 | Methods of safety evaluation of synthetic detergents – Tests for skin irritation and potential of synthetic detergents |
| IS 13933 : 1995 | Method of test for ready biodegradability of surface active agents (Modified sturm test) |
| MS 553: 2002 | Detergent powder for hand wash household laundry |
| SS 231:2013 | Laundry detergent powder for household use in manual washing |