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FOREWORD

This standard was approved by the Sectoral Committee on Textiles. Clothing and Leather and was authorized for adoption and publication as a Sri Lanka Standard by the Council of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution on 2009-03-30.

Sri Lanka Standard Specification for Sanitary towels was first published in 1971, revised first in 1989 and the Second Revision was in 2007. The term "sanitary towel" covers varieties of sanitary towels as Press-on regular, Press-on regular herbal, Press-on ultra thin, Press-on ultra thin herbal, Loop regular, Loop Maternity. Therefore the scope has been extended to cover the varieties in this Third Revision considering the new product development and diversification in the field of sanitary towels.

This specification is subject to the restrictions imposed under the Cosmetics, Devices and Drugs Act No. 27 of 1980 and the regulation thereunder.

For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this specification 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 significant places retained in the rounded off value shall be the same as that of the specified value in this specification.

In the preparation of this specification, valuable assistance derived from the following publications is gratefully acknowledged.

IS	5405	:	1980	Indian Standard Specification for Sanitary towels
PS	1449	:	1979	Pakistan Standard Specification for Sanitary towels
SABS	1043	:	1985	South African Standard Specification for the Manufacture of
				Sanitary towels

1 SCOPE

This specification prescribes the requirements and methods of sampling and test for press-on and loop type sanitary towels.

2 REFERENCES

AST	M D 1777	Standard test method for thickness of textile materials
SLS	16	Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing of textiles
SLS	86	Determination of pH value of aqueous extracts of textile materials
SLS	102	Rules for rounding of numerical values
SLS	428	Random sampling methods

SLS	457	Classification of cosmetic raw materials and adjuncts.		
		Part 1 Colouring agents, pigments and colour additives generally recognized		
		as safe		
		Part 2 Raw materials and adjuncts other than dyes, pigments and colour		
		additives generally not recognized as safe		
SLS	516	Microbiological test methods		
		Part 1 General guidance for enumeration of micro-organisms colony count		
		Technique at 30°C		
		Part 2 Enumeration of yeasts and moulds		
SLS	738	Shampoo		
SLS	1316	Code of Good manufacturing practices for cosmetics industry		

3 TYPES

This specification covers the following types of sanitary towels.

3.1 Press-on Regular

Press-on sanitary towel which is designed to be used to absorb normal menstrual flow.

3.2 Press-on Regular Herbal

Press-on sanitary towel that contains herbal ingredients which is designed to be used to absorb normal menstrual flow.

3.3 Press-on Ultrathin

Press-on sanitary towel which is thinner than the regular type.

3.4 Press-on Ultrathin Herbal

Press-on sanitary towel that contains herbal ingredients which is thinner than the regular type.

3.5 Loop Regular

Loop sanitary towel which is designed to be used to absorb normal menstrual flow.

3.6 Loop Maternity

Loop sanitary towel which is designed to be used to absorb lochia (Bleeding that occurs after child birth).

NOTE: *The press-on towels may or may not be with wings.*