

CWA 17553:2020 - European Agreement for Community Masks

Objective

The European agreement "CWA 17553:2020 – Community face coverings – Guide to minimum requirements, methods of testing and use" defines the minimum requirements for design, testing, labelling and packaging of community masks.

Your benefit as a customer

- Support for manufacturers in defining the minimum requirements for community masks
- Guarantee of product quality and durability
- Clear product information
- Marketing aid and clear differentiation from the competition
- Safety towards suppliers

Description

CWA 17553:2020 describes the minimum requirements for reusable and disposable community masks. The requirements comprise:

- Design
- Performance
- Packaging
- Labelling
- Instructions for use

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Community masks are only suitable for private use. They are neither medical products nor personal protective equipment. The masks are not suitable for use in healthcare or nursing, as occupational health and safety clothing, or as other clothing used for protection from infection or other harmful substances.

However, community masks must still meet the statutory requirements for textiles.



Test content

- Breathing Comfort
- Washability
- Fit
- Filter performance
- Labelling and instructions for use



Requirements for test samples

Material volume:

- 45 masks per style
- Incl. original packaging
- Incl. insert

Test duration:

15 (-20) days

Hohenstein quality label

Take advantage of our Hohenstein Quality Label which enjoys high recognition in the market.

Go beyond the minimum with additional tests to prove product performance then test for harmful substances with STANDARD 100 by OEKO-TEX® certification.

