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Dear valued customer,

PDI I proudly offer Sani-Cloth Germicidal Disposable Wipes, distinct solutions in the Environment of Care portfolio. Recently, PDI updated Sani-Cloth guidelines for use wall charts with new language stating, “Unfold a clean wipe and thoroughly treat surface. Allow surface to remain treated for the specific product’s contact time. Let air dry.”

This change was implemented as a result of customer feedback regarding the previous term “wet” causing confusion amongst users. When disinfecting using any Sani-Cloth product, users should take a wipe and treat or wet the surface and then leave that surface undisturbed for the full contact time.

Currently, PDI is working to implement this change on the product master label and then roll it out onto the product labels as we get EPA approval to do so. Please note that this process for the master and product labels takes a considerable amount of time but we will work to implement it as fast as possible.

EPA Testing Regarding Contact Time

Sani-Cloth Germicidal Disposable Wipes products are registered with the EPA and tested in accordance with EPA requirements under section 810.2200 of the product performance test guidelines. PDI disinfectant wipes follow the mandated test method of AOAC method 910.62 – ‘Germicidal Spray Products as Disinfectant’s’ modified for Pre-saturated or impregnated Towelettes for Hard Surface Disinfection. Succinctly, test microorganisms are dried upon a glass surface prior to being treated by the disinfecting wipe in a standardized manner with environmental controls. Following the desired contact time, the glass services are placed in growth medium to determine the test microorganism(s) have been eradicated. The contact time is determined based on testing by the manufacturer, but must be no more than ten minutes. During the contact time, the liquid delivered on the glass surface by the wipe is open to drying, simulating a typical healthcare environment. As such, the glass surfaces will exhibit varying levels of dryness according to the test conditions. PDI’s Sani-Cloth Germicidal Disposable Wipes demonstrate efficacy in accordance with the microorganism and contact time indicated on the pack label and associated EPA master label.

We hope this helps clear up any confusion that may be associated with how to properly disinfect your surface is.

Sincerely,

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