

"SURGICAL STYLE" 3-PLY DISPOSABLE MASKS

- Made of 3 premium non-woven layers
- Middle layer uses melt blown fabric and is meant to filter things such as particles, bacteria, dust, pollen, viruses, etc.
- Inside & outside layers are made to be fluid resistant
- Medical masks are rated for filtration level 95% or higher, many civilian "surgical-style" masks have the same filtration levels
- They are made to be disposable and one-time use but due to shortages people wear them longer.
- Standard package contains 50 pieces per box
- Masks provide a good barrier but cannot 100% guarantee not getting infected

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the difference between disposable "surgical-style" face masks and cloth masks? A: Cloth masks used to be used in medical settings before the invention of 3-ply masks. The non-woven cloth fabric has very little resistance to fluids. Cloth masks do not have a separate filtration layer. 3-Ply masks are fluid resistant and come with a filtration filter layer.

2. Will the disposable "surgical-style" face mask help with viruses?

- A. FDA prohibits marketing of medical products in certain ways. Under the emergency FDA declaration during this pandemic, masks can be sold in the US for general public use without making any medical claims. No claims are allowed to be made regarding their ability to stop viruses when marketing these masks. Laws in US and in China prohibit the use of words medical, surgical, anti-bacterial, anti-virus on packaging and in marketing materials. Unless they are actual medical masks approved by the FDA strictly for the US medical personnel.
- 3. What is approved by FDA mean?
- A. FDA has strict guidelines and examination processes established for oversea manufacturers in order to sell to the US market. The only way for masks to arrive into USA is by having FDA Certification and registration. Without FDA registration and certification, US Customs will reject the shipment and not clear it for entry into US.
- 4. What if people think that masks are fake or counterfeit?
- A. There were some counterfeit products that arrived in March into US. To combat this and starting in April, China has implemented extremely strict export controls with severe punishment for anyone breaking the rules. Shipping companies and freight forwarders in China currently examine each shipment and each box, and will not ship counterfeit or fake products due to serious liabilities they will face from Chinese government and closure of their business. Manufacturers have to be registered with customs for export, and submit documentation to attest to the quality of their product before being allowed for export. Each shipment comes with certification from the factory that the masks meet export requirements and that they are taking this seriously because there are huge penalties in place if they export sub-par products. There was a time when China allowed bad quality products to be exported but this is no longer the case and they are taking this seriously.