

CODE	DESCRIPTION	FORMAT	PACK SIZE	Specimen Type
MW001LF	Nylon Flock Fibre Standard Tip & Shaft with 79mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW002NF	Nylon Flock Fibre Mini-Tip & Shaft with 79mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasopharyngeal
MW010	Dry Swab, Standard plastic stick, Rayon with 78mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW011	Dry Swab, Standard plastic stick, Rayon with 79mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW012	Dry Swab, Standard plastic stick, Polyester with 79mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW013	Dry Swab, Standard foam green plastic with 70mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	50	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW015	Dry Swab, Standard plastic rayon with 79mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW100	Dry Swab, Fine tip, Labelled tube, Rayon	Tube	400	Urethral, Ear
MW1028	Dry Swab, Plastic stick, Labelled tube, Rayon	Tube	800	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW1028D	Dry Swab, Plastic stick, Labelled tube, Polyester	Tube	800	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW1048	Dry Swab, Wood stick, Labelled tube, Cotton	Tube	800	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW1048J	Dry Swab, Wood stick, Jumbo tip, Labelled tube, Cotton	Tube	800	Throat, Skin
MW108	Dry Swab, Wood Stick, Peel Pouch	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW108/2	Dry Swab, Wood Stick, Peel Pouch, (2 / pouch)®®	Peel Pouch	600	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW108/5	Dry Swab, Wood Stick, Peel Pouch, (5 / pouch)	Peel Pouch	500	Nasal, Skin, Throat,
MW108/10	Dry Swab, Wood Stick, Peel Pouch, (10 / pouch)	Peel Pouch	300	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW108/20	Dry Swab, Wood Stick, Peel Pouch, (20 / pouch)	Peel Pouch	100	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW109	Dry Swab, Tapered Wood Shaft, Peel Pouch, Cotton for Podiatry Sampling	Peel Pouch	1250	Toe Nails
MW112	Dry Swab, Plastic Stick, Peel Pouch, Rayon	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat,
MW112D	Dry Swab, Plastic Stick, Peel Pouch, Polyester	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW112BP	Dry Swab, Plastic stick, Peel pouch, Rayon with 29mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW112/2	Dry Swab, Plastic Stick, Peel Pouch, Rayon (2 / pouch)	Peel Pouch	600	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW112/2D	Dry Swab, Plastic Stick, Peel Pouch, Polyester (2 / pouch)	Peel Pouch	600	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW1131250	Dry Swab, Fine Tip, Peel Pouch, Rayon	Peel Pouch	1250	Urethral, Ear
MW130	Hospiswab™, Wood Stick, Labelled tube, Albumin Coated	Tube	800	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW142	Dry Swab, ENT Straight Wire, Labelled Tube, Rayon	Tube	400	Throat, Nasopharyngeal, Ear
MW146	Cytotak™, sterile, plastic shaft	Bulk	100	Skin, Cervix
MW147	Cytotak, sterile, plastic shaft, peel pouch	Peel Pouch	125	Skin, Cervix
MW148	Cytotak, plastic shaft, Labelled tube	Tube	100	Skin, Cervix
MW151	Dry Swab, ENT Straight Wire, Peel Pouch, Rayon	Peel Pouch	1250	Urethral, Ear
MW151D	Dry Swab, ENT Straight Wire, Peel Pouch, Dacron	Peel Pouch	1250	Urethral, Ear
MW155	Dry Swab, Pernasal, Peel Pouch, Rayon	Peel Pouch	1250	Urethral, Ear, Pernasal
MW160	Dry Swab, Pernasal, Labelled Tube, Rayon	Tube	400	Urethral, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW809	PurFlock® Mini Tip,79mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasopharyngeal, Skin, Throat, Urethral and Paediatric



MW810	PurFlock® Standard Tip, Tapered Shaft, 80mm Moulded breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW811	PurFlock® Standard Tip, Flexible Shaft, 80mm Moulded breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW812	PurFlock® Mini Tip, Moulded Shaft no breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW813	PurFlock® Ultrafine Tip, Flexible Shaft, 100mm Moulded breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW814	PurFlock® Micro Ultrafine, Flexible Shaft, 100mm Moulded breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW816	HydraFlock® Standard Tip, Tapered Shaft, 80mm Moulded breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW817	HydraFlock® Standard Tip, Flexible Shaft, 80mm Moulded breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW818	HydraFlock® Mini Tip, Moulded Shaft, no breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW819	HydraFlock® Ultrafine Tip, Flexible Shaft, 100mm Moulded breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW820	HydraFlock® Micro Ultrafine, Flexible Shaft, 100mm Moulded breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW821DC	HydraFlock® Standard Tip, 30mm Moulded breakpoint Duo with Handle	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat
MW821	HydraFlock® Dry Swab, Standard Tip, Flexible, 30mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat
MW822	HydraFlock® Mini Tip, Moulded Shaft, 80mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW830	PurFlock® Standard Tip, Tapered Shaft	Tube	400	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW831	PurFlock® Standard Tip, Flexible Shaft	Tube	400	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW832	PurFlock® Mini Tip, Moulded Shaft	Tube	400	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW833	PurFlock® Ultra-Fine Tip, Flexible Shaft	Tube	400	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW834	PurFlock® Micro Ultrafine, Flexible Shaft	Tube	400	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW836	HydraFlock® Standard Tip, Tapered Shaft	Tube	400	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW837	HydraFlock® Standard Tip, Flexible Shaft	Tube	400	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW838	HydraFlock® Mini Tip, Moulded Shaft	Tube	400	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW839	HydraFlock® Ultra-Fine Tip, Flexible Shaft	Tube	400	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW840	HydraFlock® Micro Ultrafine, Flexible Shaft	Tube	400	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal
MW940	∑Sigma Swab® , Foam tip,	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW940/79	∑Sigma Swab®, Foam tip, 79mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW941	∑Sigma Swab®, Foam tip,	Tube	400	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW942	∑Sigma Swab® , Foam tip, Duo	Tube	400	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW942BP	∑Sigma Swab® , Foam tip, Duo , 79mm breakpoint	Tube	400	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW943	∑Sigma Swab® , Foam tip, ENT & 79mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal, Ear
MW943/78	∑Sigma Swab® , Foam tip, ENT & 78mm breakpoint	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal, Ear
MW944	∑Sigma Swab®, Foam tip, 2 x Sigma Swab	Peel Pouch	1250	Nasal, Skin, Throat
MW945	∑Sigma Swab®, Foam tip, 1 x Sigma Swab (no breakpoint)+ 1 ENT (with 78mm breakpoint)	Peel Pouch	1250	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal, Ear



MW946	∑Sigma Swab®, Foam tip, ENT with 79mm breakpoint	Tube	400	Skin, Throat, Nasopharyngeal, Ear
325001	∑Sigma Swab®, Foam tip & Small Sigma Tube	Peel Pouch	100	Nasal, Skin, Throat
325002	PurFlock® Standard Tip, Tapered Shaft & Small Sigma Tube	Peel Pouch	100	Nasal, Skin, Throat
325003	Dry Swab, Plastic stick, Rayon tip & Small Sigma Tube	Peel Pouch	100	Nasal, Skin, Throat
325004	Dry Swab, Plastic stick, Dacron tip & Small Sigma Tube	Peel Pouch	100	Nasal, Skin, Throat

^{*}All Dryswabs are class 1s MDD devices.

Intended Use

Dryswab™ can be used for the safe collection of clinical specimens, and for general laboratory use.

Summary and Principles

One of the routine procedures in the diagnosis of infections involves the collection of a clinical swab specimen from the patient. The swab absorbs or adsorbs biological material from the site – generally a wound or mucosal surface. This specimen can then be tested at the time, or transferred to a laboratory using transportation methods appropriate to the nature of the intended tests.

Dryswab™ swabs are available individually in peel pouches and as individual or dual swabs in labelled tubes. If used with any other proprietary kits or test systems, reference must be made to the kit or test manufacturer to ensure that the swab is compatible, and appropriate controls included in the test protocol.

Individual or dual swabs in peel pouches are intended for laboratory use, or for the collection of specimens where another suitable transport container is available.

For specific recommendations about the collection of specimens for microorganisms and primary isolation techniques, consult publications such as Cumitech (various)1, Clinical Microbiology Procedures Handbook2, or Manual of Clinical Microbiology 2.

Precautions

For professional use only.

For in vitro diagnostic use only.

All Dryswab™ swabs are Single Use Devices and therefore cannot be reused. It must be assumed that all used devices contain infectious organisms and therefore should be handled accordingly. After use, all devices must be disposed of according to laboratory regulations for infectious waste.

DO NOT USE IF PACKAGE SEAL IS BROKEN.

Important Note

When collecting specimen from patient;

Do not use excessive force, pressure or bending while using the swab to collect a specimen from the patient, as this could cause accidental breakage of the swab shaft. Some swab shafts do have a defined breakpoint to allow the swab to be snapped off into the transport tube, but in all cases excessive force must never be used while collecting the specimen.

Material Safety Information

Dryswab™ plastic components do not contain latex or PVC.





Storage

Dryswab™ should be stored in a dry place at temperatures between + 5°C to 25°C away from direct sunlight.

DO NOT FREEZE.

Expiry Date

5 years from date of manufacture. Expiration date is shown on the tube label, peel pouch, and box label.

Specimen Collection and Handling

Materials Provided;

Dryswab™ swabs are supplied in boxes of 400, 600, 800 or 1250 (unless otherwise stated.)

Materials required but not provided;

External transport packaging compliant with local regulations.

Microbiology facilities for processing specimens, including equipment and consumables for culture or molecular processing.

Method Of Use

Individually wrapped Dryswab™ (Peel Pouch)

Individually wrapped disposable swabs are intended for sample collection and laboratory use.

Instructions for Use:

- 1. Peel back packet to expose the swab shaft end.
- 2. Remove swab from package.
- 3. Collect sample.
- 4. Transfer sample to appropriate medium.
- 5. Do not return the swab to the peel pouch after use.

If used in conjunction with in-house microbiological transport medium, great care must be taken when breaking off the end of the swab, so as not to create infectious aerosols or to contaminate the eyes or the hands with potentially infectious material.

Dryswab™ in Labelled Tube

Dryswab™ swabs in labelled tubes are intended for sample collection and transportation. These devices are safe and easy to use as they are specifically designed for collection and transport of clinical samples, avoiding the hazards of breaking off swab sticks.

Instructions for Use:

- 1. Remove cap from tube by twisting cap to break seal, and then pull firmly.
- Collect sample.
- 3. Replace cap and swab into the tube.
- 4. Fill in necessary details on the label.
- 5. Upon receipt of specimen at laboratory, the swab must be placed immediately in a suitable transport or culture system.





Performance Tests

A representative sample of bulk Dryswab™ swabs are taken at random from every batch and used for testing and reference.

Samples are tested to ensure that the minimal inocula of organisms are recovered after a specified period of time. Suspensions of the following organisms are absorbed onto the swab.

Haemophilus influenzaeATCC 10211AerobeBacteroides fragilisNCTC 9343Anaerobe*Bordetella pertussisNCTC 10739Aerobe

References

- 1. Cumitech Various American Society for Microbiology, Washington D.C., various dates. www.asm.org
- 2. Manual of Clinical Microbiology, 11th Edition, ASM Press, Washington D.C.,2015

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^{*} Only used if the swab is intended for nasopharyngeal sampling (mini-tip type swabs)