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-  (ZH) Enviro 塗抹棒

Product Instructions

Enviro Swab

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION AND INTENDED USE

A pre-moistened swab for environmental testing.

3M assumes that the 3M™ Enviro Swab be utilized by technicians that have been properly trained to follow microbiological techniques.

3M has not documented the 3M Enviro Swab for use in industries other than food and beverage. For example, 3M has not documented the 3M Enviro Swab for testing water, pharmaceuticals or cosmetics. The 3M Enviro Swab has not been evaluated with all possible surfaces or with all possible strains of bacteria.

3M Food Safety is certified to ISO (International Organization for Standardization) 9001 for design and manufacturing.

SAFETY

The user should read, understand, and follow all safety information in the instructions for the 3M Enviro Swab. Retain the safety instructions for future reference.

⚠ WARNING: Indicates a hazardous situation, which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury and/or property damage.

⚠ WARNING

Do not use the 3M Enviro Swab in the diagnosis of conditions in humans or animals.

The user must train its personnel in current proper testing techniques: for example, Good Laboratory Practices or ISO/IEC 17025¹.

To reduce the risks associated with bacterial infection:

- Always follow standard lab safety practices, including wearing appropriate protective apparel while handling reagents and contaminated samples.
- Avoid contact with the contents of the 3M Enviro Swab.
- Dispose of contaminated 3M Enviro Swabs according to applicable Federal, State, and/or local government regulations and/or applicable laboratory procedures.

Consult the Safety Data Sheet for additional information.

For information on documentation of product performance, visit our website at www.3M.com/foodsafety or contact your local 3M representative or distributor.

USER RESPONSIBILITY

Users are responsible for familiarizing themselves with product instructions and information. Visit our website at www.3M.com/foodsafety, or contact your local 3M representative or distributor for more information.

When selecting a test method, it is important to recognize that external factors such as sampling methods, testing protocols, sample preparation, handling, and laboratory technique may influence results. The food sample itself may influence results.

It is the user's responsibility in selecting any test method or product to evaluate a sufficient number of samples with the appropriate matrices and microbial challenges to satisfy the user that the chosen test method meets the user's criteria.

It is also the user's responsibility to determine that any test methods and results meet its customers' and suppliers' requirements.

As with any test method, results obtained from use of any 3M Food Safety product do not constitute a guarantee of the quality of the matrices or processes tested.

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STORAGE

When not in use, store 3M Enviro Swabs between 2-8°C.

△ DISPOSAL

When testing is complete the 3M Enviro Swab may contain microorganisms that may be a biohazard. Do not use the 3M Enviro Swab past its expiration date. Expiration date and lot number are noted on the outside label of the box.

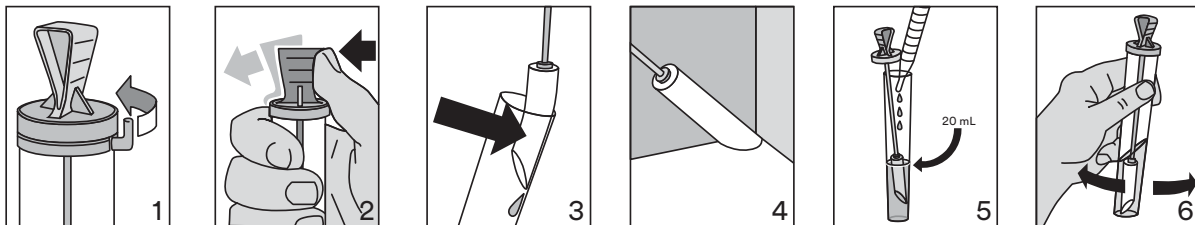
When testing is complete, follow current industry standards for the disposal of contaminated waste. Consult the Safety Data Sheet for additional information and local regulations for disposal.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Follow all instructions carefully. Failure to do so may lead to inaccurate results.

Use a fresh Enviro Swab for each sample area.

1. Label the Enviro Swab with sample identification.
2. Remove the tab from the top of the Enviro Swab (Figure 1).
3. Hold the tube firmly in one hand and release the swab by pushing the top of the tube with your thumb (Figure 2).
4. Gently push the tip of the swab to the side of the tube to remove excess diluent. Do not touch the swab or stem (Figure 3).
5. Carefully remove the swab from its tube and swab the area to be sampled (Figure 4).
6. Replace the swab in its tube and push firmly to lock the cap.



7. Testing of the 3M Enviro Swab must begin within 48 hours of sampling. Store the 3M Enviro Swab at 2-8°C until testing begins.
8. Carefully lift the swab from its tube and aseptically pipette sufficient medium into the tube to cover the swab, approximately 20 mL (Figure 5).
9. Push the swab firmly back into the tube to lock the cap. Mix well by vortexing or shaking (Figure 6).
10. Incubate the 3M Enviro Swab according to your method for environmental samples.

For further information refer to the 3M™ Enviro Swab “Interpretation Guide.” If you have questions about specific applications or procedures, please visit our website at www.3M.com/foodsafety or contact your local 3M representative or distributor.

REFERENCES

1. ISO/IEC 17025. General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories.

Refer to the current versions of the standard methods listed above.

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