

AlphaSat® Wipers

with Vectra® Alpha® 10

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET



Applications

- Cleaning surfaces sensitive to water contamination
- Maintenance of manufacturing equipment for semiconductor, disk media and flat panels
- Cleaning production tools during "wet cleans"
- ► Preventative maintenance (PM) activities
- Final wipedown of critical surfaces prior to manufacturing or packaging
- ► Cleaning activities in Flammable Solvent restricted areas
- Cleaning activities in stringent VOC regulation areas

Features

- 100% synthetic fiber (continuous filament, double-knit polyester) with a sealed border
- Excellent abrasion resistance and wiping efficiency
- ► Bag-to-bag traceability
- In-line statistical process control and inspection ensure consistent quality
- Available in 6% and 100% IPA (100% IPA in red bag for easy identification)

Description

Texwipe's AlphaSat® line is constructed with ultra-clean Alpha® 10 (sealed-border, 100% polyester) wipers that are pre-wetted with semiconductor-grade isopropyl alcohol (IPA) in easy-to-use reclosable slider bags.

Texwipe's Alpha® 10 is a wiper with superior strength that holds up well under rigorous use and is very abrasive resistant. With 4 sealed borders and ultralow particle release, this wiper provides maximum performance in critical environments.

The AlphaSat® line combines the Alpha 10® with semiconductor-grade isopropyl alcohol (IPA). Single pre-wetted wipers are conveniently withdrawn from the package through a reclosable opening. Providing prewetted wipers on demand, AlphaSat® minimizes contamination levels and the need to handle bulk solvents and maintain solvent squirt bottles.

TX8410 and TX8415 are packaged in a cleanroom environment and are protected in a sealed outer bag for contamination-free introduction into the cleanroom. Available in 6% and 100% IPA configurations with TX8410, 100% IPA, in a brightly colored red bag for easy identification.

Benefits

- ► Superior wiper strength guards against abrasion under rigorous use
- Wipers provide ultralow particle and low extractable levels
- Pre-wetted wipers eliminate the need to purchase and store IPA and squirt bottles
- Packaging is RoHS and animal origin compliant
- Minimizes VOCs (volatile organic compounds)

Products

Number	Description	IPA Percentage	Packaging
TX8410	9" x 9" (23 cm x 23 cm) Alpha® 10 pre-wetted wipers	100%	50 wipes/reclosable bag; 12 bags/case 12 bags/case = 600 wipers
TX8415	9" x 9" (23 cm x 23 cm) AlphaSat [®] with Vectra [®] Alpha [®] 10 pre-wetted wipers	6%	50 wipers/reclosable bag; 12 bags/case = 600 wipers

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Performance Characteristics					
Property	Typical Value	Test Method*			
Basis weight	125 g/m²	1,TM20			
Absorbency					
Sorptive capacity	280 mL/m ²	1,TM20			
Sorptive rate	0.5 second	1,TM20			

Contamination Characteristics					
Property	Typical Value	Test Method*			
Particles and fibers					
Particles 0.5-5.0 µm	9.0 x 10 ⁶ particles/m ²	1,2,TM22			
5.0-100 μm	142,000 particles/m ²	1,2,TM22			
Fibers: >100 μm	200 fibers/m ²	1,2,TM22			
Nonvolatile residue					
IPA extractant	0.06 g/m ²	1,TM1			
DIW extractant	0.02 g/m ²	1,TM1			
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Sodium	0.25 ppm	1,TM18			
Potassium	0.08 ppm	1,TM18			
Chloride	0.05 ppm	1,TM18			

Note: The data in this table represent typical analyses of these wipers at the time of publication. These are not specifications. ITW Texwipe continually refines both its processes and its products.

*Test Methods

- 1 "Evaluating Wiping Materials Used in Cleanroom and Other Controlled Environments," IEST-RP-CC 004.3, Institute for Environmental Sciences and Technology, Rolling Meadows, IL 2004; www.iest.org.
- 2 "Standard Method for Size-Differentiated Counting of Particles and Fibers Released from Clean Room Wipers Using Optical and Scanning Electron Microscopy," E2090-00, ASTM International, West Conshohocken, PA, 2000; www.astm.org.
- TM— Refers to ITW Texwipe Test Method available upon request, contact ITW Texwipe Customer Service at www.texwipe.com for a copy.

For more details on the use of pre-wetted wipers, please review "Progress in Pre-wetted Wipers Cleanliness Levels" by Dr. Howard Siegerman.