

Specification for materials used in reusable masks

- Soft, comfortable over mouth and nose
- Flat fold or duckbill shape
- Snug fit close to face so that air does not penetrate around the edge of the mask when speaking
- A minimum of 3 layers
 - i) the inner most layer should be a hydrophilic material (e.g. Cotton or cotton blends),
 - ii) a middle hydrophobic layer (e.g. synthetic non-woven material such as polyester, polypropylene layer)
 - iii) an outermost layer made of hydrophobic material (e.g. polypropylene, polyester or their blends which may limit external contamination through to the wearers mouth and nose)
- Suitable for use in washing machines- capable of withstanding at least 60°C
- Adjustable elastic ear or head band for easy removal without touching mask

Cloth (cotton, silk etc) should preferably be from sustainable sources.