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COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

BANDAGE, ADHESIVE

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this Commercial Item Description in preference to (Size 3/4 by 3 inches) and (Size 1 by 3 inches) Bandage of Interim Federal Specification DDD-B-0035C (GSA-FSS) dated 30 December 1971.

This Commercial Item Description covers a sterile adhesive bandage, suitable for use on minor abrasions, cuts or wounds.

Salient Characteristics:

The bandage shall be a sterile individual bandage, suitable for use on minor abrasions, cuts or wounds.

The adhesive strip shall be a plastic film, nominally 3 inches long, flesh colored or clear. The adhesive strip shall be perforated where the compress is attached, with perforations of the same size, frequency and spacing pattern; the remainder of the adhesive strip may be similarly perforated. The corners or ends of the adhesive strip shall be rounded.

The adhesive strip shall have a minimum breaking strength of 3.5 pounds per inch after perforating, when tested in accordance with Federal Test Method Standard No. 191, Method 5102, except the specimen shall be the adhesive bandage full length with the facing material peeled off. The adhesive strip when applied to the skin shall adhere firmly.

The size of each bandage and its compress shall be as specified in Table I, with the additional requirements that the compress shall be centrally affixed to the bandage adhesive strip and shall not overhang the edges of the strip.

Table I

Bandage Nominal Size	Bandage Minimum Dimensions-Inches		Compress Minimum Dimension-Inches		
Inches	Width	Length	Width	Length	Size
3/4 by 3	11/16	2-27/32	9/16	7/8	1
1 by 3	15/16	2-27/32	13/16	7/8	2

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When used with a clear adhesive strip, the strip side layer of the compress shall be flesh colored. The compress shall be approximately equivalent to, but not less than, the absorbency and weight of a compress of the same size made of four layers of Absorbent Gauze, USP, Type I, shall be free from loose threads or ravelings, shall be nontoxic and shall be insoluble in the wound. The top layer of each compress shall be either Type I Absorbent Gauze, USP, or shall be absorbent gauze with 40 warp and 32 fill, +/- 3 threads per inch, which meets all of the requirements of Absorbent Gauze, USP, except for weight and thread count, or shall be a suitable film cover which is smooth and non-adherent to the wound and which shall permit the wound exudates to be readily transmitted to and absorbed by the compress.

The adhesive bandage shall be covered with two-piece facing material in such a manner as to completely cover the compress and overlap each other by a minimum of 1/8 inch (0.32 cm) at the approximate center of the compress. The facing material shall be capable of being easily removed without contaminating the compress, or breaking, or cracking, and shall be chemically inert to the adhesive mass.

When testing for sterility, shall be in accordance with the sterility testing method specified in the U.S.P.

Workmanship. The bandage shall be free from defects which detract from its appearance or impair its serviceability.

Unit. Box (BX). Each adhesive bandage shall be individually packaged in an envelope capable of maintaining sterility of contents unless package is damaged or opened. The envelope shall permit easy removal of the sterile adhesive bandage. One box containing 100 individually packaged adhesive bandages, as specified, constitutes one unit.

Contractor certification. The contractor shall certify that the product offered meets the salient characteristics of this description and conforms to the producers' own drawings, specifications, standards, and quality assurance practices. The Government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance prior to first delivery and thereafter as may be otherwise provided for under the provisions of the contract.

Quality Assurance Provisions.

Responsibility for inspection. Unless otherwise specified in the contract or purchase order, the contractor is responsible for the performance of all inspection requirements as specified herein. Except as otherwise specified in the contract or purchase order, the contractor may use his own or any facilities suitable for the performance of the inspection requirements specified herein, unless disapproved by the Government. The Government reserves the right to perform any of the inspections set forth in the specification where such inspections are deemed necessary to assure supplies and services conform to prescribed requirements.

Records. Records of examinations and tests performed by or for the contractor shall be maintained by the contractor and made available to the Government upon the Government's request, at any time, or from time to time, during the performance of the contract and for a period of three years after delivery of the supplies to which such records relate.

Inspection. Inspection, as used herein, is defined as both examination (such as visual or auditory investigation without the use of special laboratory appliances or procedures) and testing (determination by technical means of physical and chemical properties) of the item. Testing and examination shall be conducted to determine compliance with all specification requirements. Test methods shall be suitable, accurate, and reproducible.

Sampling for examination. Sampling for examination shall be conducted in accordance with MIL-STD-105 and as specified herein. The unit of product for examination shall be one adhesive bandage. Unless otherwise specified, sampling for examination shall be conducted at inspection level II, AQL 2.5 maximum percent defective.

Metric Products - Products manufactured to metric dimensions will be considered on an equal basis with those manufactured using inch-pound units, providing they fall within the tolerances specified using conversion tables contained in the latest revision of Federal Standard No. 376, and all other requirements of this document are met.

If a product is manufactured to metric dimensions and those dimensions exceed the tolerances specified in the inch/pound units, a request should be made to the contracting officer to determine if the product is acceptable.

The contracting officer has the option of accepting or rejecting the product.

Regulatory requirements.

Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. If the product covered by this document has been determined by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to be under its jurisdiction, the offeror/contractor shall comply, and be responsible for compliance by its subcontractors/suppliers, with the requirements of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, as amended, and regulations promulgated thereunder. In addition, the offeror/contractor shall comply, and be responsible for compliance by its subcontractors/suppliers, with the requirements of all other applicable Federal, State, and local statutes, ordinances, and regulations.

Recovered materials. The offeror/contractor is encouraged to use recovered material in accordance with Public Law 94-580, as amended, and as implemented by Federal Acquisition Regulation Subpart 23.4 to the maximum extent practical.

Preservation, packaging, packing, labeling, and marking. Unless otherwise specified, preservation, packaging, and packing shall be to a degree of protection to preclude damage to containers and/or contents thereof under normal shipping conditions, handling, etc., involving shipment from the supply source to the receiving activity, plus reshipment from receiving activity, and shall conform to applicable carrier's rules and regulations. Intermediate and exterior package quantities and labeling and marking shall be as specified in the contract and/or order.

NOTE: The following National Stock Numbers are covered by this document:

NSN	ITEM IDENTIFICATION
6510-00-597-7469	BANDAGE, ADHESIVE, 3/4 by 3 inches, 100s
6510-01-031-7032	BANDAGE, ADHESIVE, 1 inch by 3 inches, 100s

Ordering data. (The inspection/test dating period, intermediate/exterior quantities, labeling, and marking must be as specified in the contract and/or order).

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	☐ MANUFACTURER
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