

PCS strives to improve institutional and health care cleaning and environmental surface decontamination processes. It has become clear cleaning cloths even after careful laundering can contain microbial contamination.

As part of PCS ongoing commitment to bring Science to the Art of Cleaning we are pleased to announce a national initiative to test and report on the levels of microbial contamination in microfibre cleaning cloths after being laundered.

We believe all institutions and commercial establishments would benefit from knowing the level of contamination present in cleaning cloths prior to use.

## How the process works -

Institutions contact a PCS distributor

They will request you supply them with three used but freshly laundered microfibre cloths. PCS provides our distributor partners with requisition forms, self sealing bags and envelops to ship the cloths to our testing laboratory. The cloths are then moistened and four sections of each cloth are sampled for microbial contamination. Samples are incubated at 37 degrees C for 48 hours and a report is prepared on the level of microbial contamination present. A digital photo of the test plates is added to the reports.

The report is sent by email to the customer identified on the requisition form for their review.

PCS charges out of pocket expenses only for the test.

This initiative is the first national large scale evaluation of microbial contamination of microfibre cleaning cloths after laundering.

The data will provide very useful data to the sanitation industry.

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