

Using the Right Absorbent Product Makes Spill Clean-Up Easier

This guide is to help your decision making process on which absorbent product best fits your spill needs. By knowing the material, color and product types, you will have the correct product to clean-up those emergency spills.

Tips and Suggestions

- 1 Position smaller spill kits in multiple areas to reduce clean-up time dramatically.
- 2 When there is a spill, direct your personnel to clean it up immediately before it spreads under equipment and hard-to-get-to places.
- 3 With new employees, there should be a training session on how to clean-up a spill properly.
- 4 Always neutralize hazardous chemicals before the final cleanup with absorbent pads.
- 5 Do Not Throw Used Absorbent Pads into a Regular Trash Bin. They can be a fire hazard. Always store used pads in an approved flammable safety container.

Our absorbent products absorb up to 20X its weight in oil. It is the way the material is manufactured to allow a higher loft to absorb more oil while increasing the tensile/tear strength by 25%. Using fewer pads that hold up to heavy spills means faster clean-ups for your personnel to get back to work.

If you do have questions, contact us so we can help.

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Material Color Code

White - Oil Only

Repels water and picks up oil-based spills.

Blue - Oil Only

Repels water and picks up oil-based spills. The blue color turns black when any hydrocarbon or chemical attaches to it. Great water tester.

Gray - Universal

Absorbs water-based fluids, oils and most chemicals. The gray color tends to look less dirty after use.

Yellow - Universal (Hazmat safety color)

Absorbs water-based fluids, oils and most chemicals. The safety color indicates immediate health hazards are present (acids, poisons...) and reminds your personnel that personal protection is necessary.

Green - Universal (Hazmat safety color)

Absorbs water-based fluids, oils and most chemicals including anti-freeze (glycol) for automotive maintenance and related industries. The safety color indicates immediate health hazards are present (acids, poisons...) and reminds your personnel that personal protection is necessary. Used by medical professionals.

Camo - Universal

Absorbs water-based fluids, oils and most chemicals. The camo color tends to look less dirty after use and is great for outdoor use.

Private Label - Universal

Absorbs water-based fluids, oils and most chemicals. Can be any color you prefer along with block lettering for messaging.



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SPILL ABSORBENTS

A QUICK GUIDE TO
PRODUCT SPECS AND USAGE

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Manufacturer of Absorbents and
Distributor of Environmental Products

Melt Blown - Single Layer

Perfect for marine oil spills, our meltblown sorbents are constructed from a single layer of strong, uniform polypropylene fibers. Hydrocarbon-based fluids stick to the fibers while water is repelled. Our pads and rolls incinerate to less than two per-cent ash, will not mildew and will float indefinitely.

Benefits: Least cost - quick absorbency

Sonic Bonded - Melt Blown Bonded and Perforated

Ideal for jobs where you need to absorb liquids quickly, our sonic bonded sorbents are constructed from a single layer of high-quality uniform polypropylene fibers. The fibers are then sonically bonded together for added strength and reduced linting. Available in single, medium and heavy weights to suit a variety of spill control and industrial clean-up situations. Pads and rolls are perforated for easy and exact use.

Benefits: Economical with increased strength

Laminated - Single Melt Blown Core Sandwiched Between Nylon Skins and Perforated

Tough and durable, yet offering the extreme softness and drape-ability needed for some situations, our laminated sorbents are constructed by ultrasonically bonding outer layers of durable polypropylene spunbond to a high-loft meltblown center. Non-linting, our pads and rolls are perforated for easy and exact use.

Benefits: No linting and flexible for wiping rough surfaces, tools and equipment, threads and clean room counters

Fine Fiber - Single Melt Blown Core Sandwiched Between Fine Fiber Skins and Perforated

Offering the best product consistency and uniformity available anywhere, our fine fiber sorbents are manufactured using state-of-the-art Accurate Products technology. Fine fiber outer cover stocks are ultrasonically welded over a high-loft meltblown core. Pads and rolls are perforated for easy and exact use.

Benefits: No Lint with increased absorption and gripping capabilities

Static Resistant - Static Resistant Single Layer Melt Blown

For increased ease-of-use and safety, static-resistant meltblown sorbents are constructed from a single layer of meltblown polypropylene fibers that have been combined with a static-resistant additive. Hydrocarbon-based fluids stick to the fibers and absorbs water.

Benefits: Quick absorbency - safety in extreme cold climates and clean rooms

Pads

Usually in two different sizes depending on hand clean-up usage. Some pads are perforated for smaller pads. Also used to clean equipment.

Rolls

Sold in full size or splits (half size). Perfect for larger spill or covering floors to keep them clean and safe from counter/equipment spillage.

Recycled

Made from excess virgin melt-blown material



Socks

Produced in 4', 8' and custom lengths, socks are used to surround equipment or drums to prevent spill accidents from spreading. If a spill happens, socks are an excellent way to surround and contain a spill.



Pillows

Can be placed under drips or in buckets to catch oils or chemicals. Comes in various sizes and can be customized to suit your application.

Booms

Used in lakes, rivers and ocean for oil spills. Comes in various diameters in 10' lengths with clips to connect together.



Sweeps

Allows oils to be swept off of water. Usually a two person operation with handles on both ends of the sweep. Comes in white (oil only) and gray (universal) and is made with Fine Fiber for less linting.

Drumtops

By placing a drumtop pad on top of a working drum, it absorbs any spill from opening the drum and allows tools to be placed on a clean surface.



Spill Kits

A package or container of spill supplies including pads, socks, gloves, goggles, and clean-up bags to help control and contain a spill. Comes in various sizes for trucks, industrial or environmental uses.



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