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3M™ Aura™ Health Care Particulate Respirator and Surgical Mask 1870+



Dear Valued 1870 Respirator Customer,

3M is improving our product line of respirators with the introduction of the **3M™ Aura™ Health Care Particulate Respirator and Surgical Mask 1870+**. The 3M™ Health Care Particulate Respirator and Surgical Mask 1870 will **no longer be available to order after March 31, 2015**. Please note it will be available to order until that time.

The 1870+ respirator has new comfort and convenience features including a contoured nose panel, and a chin tab for ease of positioning, donning and adjustment. In addition, the embossed top panel is designed to direct exhaled air away from the nose panel, helping to reduce eyewear fogging.

Other key features that you value in the 3M™ 1870 respirator will remain in the 1870+ respirator in addition to the enhanced benefits mentioned above.

If you are transitioning workers to the 1870+ in the future, keep in mind it is a new model and would require fit testing. This should be considered and planned for during your next fit testing cycle.

#### **1870+ Respirator features/benefits**

- Embossed top panel helps reduce the fogging of eyewear
- Sculpted top panel helps conform to nose and eye contours of the face allowing more room for eyewear
- Chin tab for ease of positioning, donning, and adjustment
- 3-panel design helps fit a wide range of face shapes and sizes
- Accommodates facial movements while talking
- Collapse resistant
- Soft nose foam and smooth inner material feel comfortable against the skin
- 3M proprietary filter media designed for ease of breathing
- NIOSH N95 approved
- Fluid resistant
- FDA cleared

#### **Other points to be noted**

- The 1870+ is currently available to distributors and customers
- The price of the 1870+ respirator will remain the same as the 1870 respirator
- We recommend you start transitioning users to the new 1870+ at your upcoming annual fit testing sessions.

Please contact your 3M account representative with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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