

# 3M™ High Fluid Resistant Procedure Mask

## Commonly Asked Questions

**Question:**

Can the 1840 and 1840FS masks be used in surgery?

**Answer:**

Yes, these products can be used in the OR. There is no professional standard or guideline that states an earloop mask should not be used in the OR. However, some professionals personally feel an earloop mask is not appropriate in an OR environment because to apply it the wearer must reach under their cap. There is concern this will create microbial shedding from the hair and skin.

**Question:**

Why do some masks smell?

**Answer:**

Many synthetic materials tend to pick up odors to which they are exposed. Face masks can pick up odors in any place they are stored, from the manufacturing facility to central supply in the hospital.

**Question:**

Does this product contain latex?

**Answer:**

No. The 1840 and the 1840FS 3M High Fluid Resistant Procedure Masks do not contain either natural rubber latex or dry natural rubber as components in the product.

**For More Information**

Contact your 3M Health Care Sales Representative, or call the 3M Health Care Customer Helpline at **1-800-228-3957**. These products can be ordered from your local distributor. Outside the United States, contact the local 3M subsidiary.



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