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# **Product Improvement Update: DermaShield™ and TouchNTuff™ Cleanroom Gloves**

## Dear Valued Customer,

As part of Ansell's ongoing commitment to continuous improvement and to better support the highly controlled environments you operate in, we are pleased to inform you of an improvement to our sterile and non-sterile cleanroom glove portfolio impacting the following glove styles:

- DermaShield<sup>™</sup> 73-711 Sterile Neoprene Cleanroom Gloves
- DermaShield<sup>™</sup> 73-721 Neoprene Cleanroom Gloves
- TouchNTuff<sup>™</sup> 73-300 Nitrile Cleanroom Gloves
- TouchNTuff<sup>™</sup> 73-500 Sterile Nitrile Cleanroom Gloves

## Improvement implemented:

• Improved Liquid Particle Count (LPC) performance for all four styles listed above.

The improved performance is a direct result of Ansell's optimized clean wash process, conducted under stringent control parameters to effectively reduce contaminants. No other change was made, including the gloves' formulation.

Please find below the existing Liquid Particle Count (LPC) and new performance results are as follows:

Product style	Existing Typical Particle Count ≥0.5µm (counts / cm²)	Upgraded Typical Particle Count ≥0.5µm (counts / cm²)
DermaShield ™ 73-711	<3000	<1500
DermaShield ™ 73-721	<3000	<1500
TouchNTuff <sup>™</sup> 73-300	≤2500	<1500
TouchNTuff <sup>™</sup> 73-500	≤2500	<1500

# What This Means for You:

- With these enhancements, you can expect even higher levels of contamination control, ensuring improved protection for your most critical processes.
- Continued compliance with critical cleanroom standards, including ISO Class 5 (Class 100) and EU GMP Grade A environments.

In addition to superior cleanliness, these gloves will continue to offer:

- Enhanced barrier protection and ergonomic fit.
- Latex- and accelerator-free formulations.
- For sterile S-styles: Sterility Assurance Level (SAL) 10<sup>-6</sup> and ideal double donning for aseptic tasks.

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Please note, whilst the LPC performance has improved, compliance to PPE regulation (EU) 2016/425 and PPE standards remain unchanged.

# Implementation timeline:

Revised Product Data Sheets (PDS) for the DermaShield<sup>™</sup> 73-711, DermaShield<sup>™</sup> 73-721, TouchNTuff<sup>™</sup> 73-300 and TouchNTuff<sup>™</sup> 73-500 with updated typical particle counts will be available via www.Ansell.com website from June 2025 onwards.

The improved DermaShield<sup>™</sup> 73-711, DermaShield<sup>™</sup> 73-721, TouchNTuff<sup>™</sup> 73-300, and TouchNTuff<sup>™</sup> 73-500 will expect to be shipped from the plant by June 2025. However, the actual timing of when these updated styles will reach you may vary based on regional inventory levels.

We trust that these improvements will further strengthen your confidence in using Ansell non-sterile and sterile cleanroom gloves in your highly controlled environments. Should you have any questions with regards to this improvement, please do not hesitate to contact your local Ansell Sales or Customer Service Representative.

We deeply appreciate your trust in Ansell and partnership.

Yours Sincerely,

Fiona Zwinkels-Stalker Senior Marketing Director, EMEA/APAC

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