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## SGS ACCREDITED BY HOKLAS FOR MEDICAL FACE MASK TESTING SERVICES

The current global concern around COVID-19 has drawn significant attention to how best to contain its spread. Many believe that the wearing of **medical face masks** is the best protection against the virus.

Despite this, the public have clamoured to arm themselves with face masks. The global press has reported on this unprecedented run on face masks which has resulted in a significant lack of availability. Given the demand, it is not surprising that there are widespread reports of counterfeit masks being sold.

There are varying levels of quality for medical face masks and the extent of protection depends on the specifications of manufacture. To ensure the quality and protection of these products, relevant standards exist for their manufacture. If the product does not meet these specifications, they may not function as required and place the wearer at significant risk.



On May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021, SGS Hong Kong Limited had been accredited by The Hong Kong Laboratory Accreditation Scheme (HOKLAS) for Medical Face Mask testing services.

Accompanied by our [IAS accreditation](#) in August 2020, SGS Hong Kong is the only provider that can endorse mask test reports as approved by both organizations to meet different national standards and regulatory requirements.

Our scope of services includes:

SERVICES	THE HONG KONG LABORATORY ACCREDITATION SCHEME (HOKLAS)	INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION SERVICE (IAS)
EN 14683: 2019 + AC: 2019	✓	✓
EN ISO 11737-1: 2018	✓	✓
ISO 22609: 2004	✓	✓
ASTM F2100	✓	✓
ASTM F2299	✓	✓
ASTM F1862	✓	✓
16 CFR Part 1610	✓	✓

Providing a one stop shop, **SGS'** global network of PPE experts and accredited laboratories can ensure the compliance of face masks and PPE products with testing and certification requirements, help with technical files and coordinate with Notified Bodies for EC type examinations.

**For enquiries, please contact one of our Sales Associates for details!**

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