

Midas Safety and Sanitized®



Swiss antimicrobial expertise
since 1935

Midas Safety are a leading global manufacturer of safety gloves which are used across a wide range of industries globally, including gloves for clinical and non-clinical settings. Midas Safety have been using Sanitized® antimicrobial biocidal active substances in their gloves for decades. We interviewed Thomas Fuhrmann, Sales Support Manager for Europe about their experience with Sanitized® treated gloves.



Why does Midas use Sanitized® in gloves?

Our key reasons are hygiene and odour management. The treatment with Sanitized® actives has a permanent effect towards maintaining the safety and hygiene of the gloves by eliminating or reducing the presence and growth of microbes.

The Sanitized® actives protect the coated glove from the uncontrolled growth of microbes, especially when the glove is needed for repeated use. They also protect the goods handled with the gloves from contamination with microbes (for example, in industrial production or parcel services). This helps to reduce the further spread of microbes. The overall reduction of microbes on our gloves' surfaces will contribute to the reduction of the total count and proliferation of overall virus load.

Which Midas gloves are treated with Sanitized®?

We treat nearly all Midas gloves with a textile liner (so-called 'supported gloves') for repeated use, including those made of cotton, polyamide, polyester, high performance fibres and engineered yarns coated with natural rubber, PVC (Vinyl), Polyurethane, Nitrile, Chloroprene or multi polymer coatings. We also use Sanitized® actives in both non cut resistant and cut resistant gloves.

Our special glove range for food contact is not treated with Sanitized®, in order to avoid unintentionally change the nature of food handled with these gloves.



Are Midas gloves with Sanitized® safe in a Covid-19 environment?

Recent independent testing has shown that the Sanitized® actives that are also integrated in our gloves, are able to break the coronavirus cell envelope, rendering the virus ineffective. The coronavirus used in testing was a feline coronavirus with very similar properties to SARS-CoV-2, indicating that the same mechanical action would destroy all similar coronavirus cells. This is particularly important news for our customers, who may either repeatedly use their Midas Safety gloves in environments where they could be exposed to Covid-19, or for clinical staff who benefit from PPE.

We are presently undertaking further independent laboratory tests on specific Midas glove styles treated with Sanitized® actives to confirm our above expectations.

