

ESD Statshield® Protective Smocks Grounding, Testing and Maintenance



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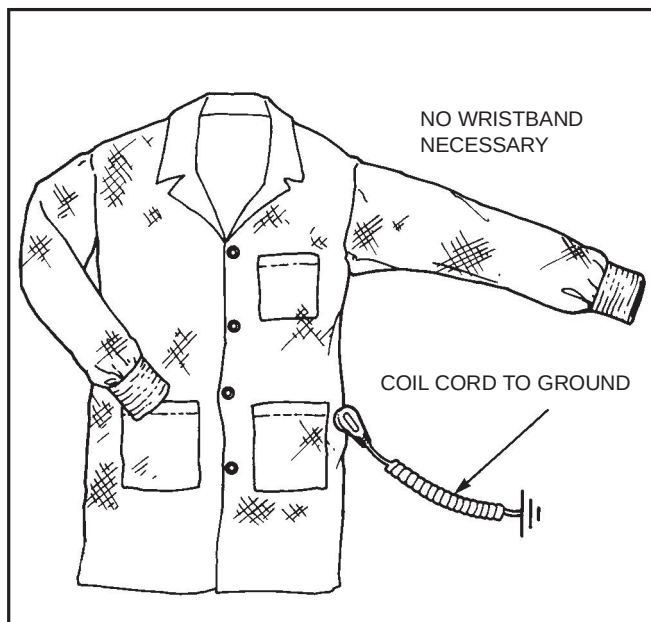


Figure 1. Desco Statshield® Premium Lab Coat with Conductive Cuffs. Also available in Jacket length.

Description

"Garments on which high levels of static electricity can be generated are one of the causes of ESD damage. It is important that such charged garments do not come into contact with ESDS. The covering garments need to be grounded, either through direct contact with the wearer's skin, or by alternative means such as being electrically connected to a wrist strap. It is important that the ESD protective garment sleeves cover the end of the inner garment sleeves." *

Outfitting a work force in ESD smocks is the single most powerful step to demonstrate a company's commitment to their ESD control program. The Desco Statshield® ESD protective smock is designed to be antistatic, low tribocharging, and offers protection from electrostatic fields generated by clothing on the user's body. Using high quality material with a minimum 9% carbon nylon monofilament, the smock creates a Faraday Cage around the torso of the wearer. Static charges generated by the wearer and wearer's clothing will be shielded from ESD susceptible products. The dissipative material becomes part of the ground path to remove static charges. The smock is available in two lengths -- the lab coat length and the jacket length. Both lengths are available in two styles - with snaps and with conductive elastic cuffs. All styles are available in three colors -- blue, white, and teal.

The Desco Statshield® premium smock incorporates our patented** "hip to cuff" grounding feature which allows for hands-free grounding with no tugging at the operator's

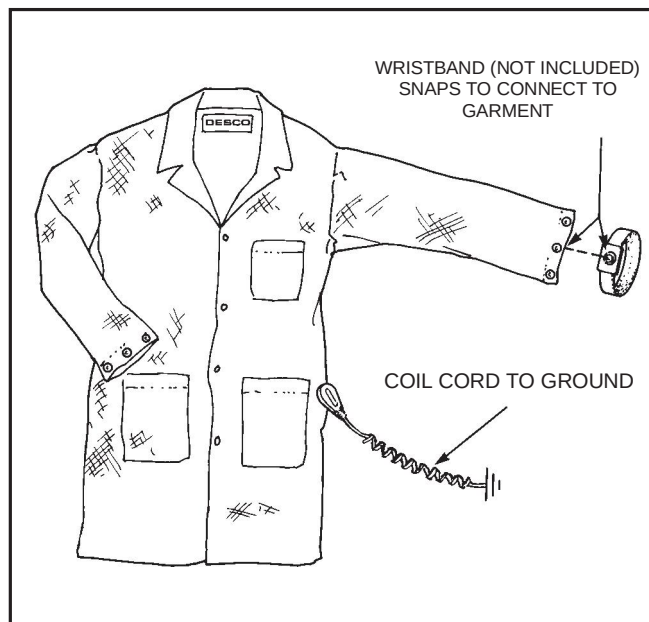


Figure 2. Desco Statshield® Premium Lab Coat with Snaps. Also available in Jacket length.

wrist. This feature allows connection of a ground cord to a 4mm snap stud on the hip. A seam of carbon-suffused threads provides a secure and direct electrical connection from the snap stud on the hip to conductive elastic cuffs, providing a highly reliable connection via the user's skin. The smock will quickly and effectively ground the person when used in this manner.

The smock is constructed of a lightweight dissipative material which incorporates texturized polyester and a minimum of 9% carbon nylon monofilament. The conductive nylon fibers are woven in a chain-link design throughout the material, providing continuous and consistent charge dissipation. All of the seams in the garment are designed to maintain electrical continuity from panel to panel and from sleeve to sleeve in accordance with the ESD Association Garment Standard, ESD-STM2.1.

The conductive fabric in smock is a conductor. If not grounded, the smock can become an isolated charged conductor. **Since ANSI/ESD S20.20 requires that "All conductors in the environment, including personnel, must be . . . connected and attached to a known ground"**, there is no occasion "when grounding the garment is not required" in an ESD protected area. If not grounded via a wrist strap coil cord, ground ESD garment via the person's wrist removing charges using foot grounders, to ESD protective flooring.

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ESD protective smocks are available in the following styles and sizes:

LAB COATS WITH SNAPS

	Blue	White	Teal	Chest	Sleeve
X Small	73600	73620	73640	30"-32"	33 3/8"
Small	73601	73621	73641	34"-36"	34"
Medium	73602	73622	73642	38"-40"	34 3/8"
Large	73603	73623	73643	42"-44"	35"
X Large	73604	73624	73644	46"-48"	35 1/2"
2X Large	73605	73625	73645	50"-52"	35 1/2"
3X Large	73606	73626	73646	54"-56"	37 1/2"
4X Large	73607	73627	73647	58"-60"	36 1/2"
5X Large	73608	73628	73648	62"-64"	36"
6X Large	73609	73629	73649	66"-68"	36"

LAB COATS WITH CUFFS

Size	Blue	White	Teal	Chest	Sleeve
X Small	73610	73630	73650	30"-32"	33 3/4"
Small	73611	73631	73651	34"-36"	34"
Medium	73612	73632	73652	38"-40"	34 3/8"
Large	73613	73633	73653	42"-44"	35"
X Large	73614	73634	73654	46"-48"	35 1/2"
2X Large	73615	73635	73655	50"-52"	35 1/2"
3X Large	73616	73636	73656	54"-56"	37 1/2"
4X Large	73617	73637	73657	58"-60"	36 1/2"
5X Large	73618	73638	73658	62"-64"	36"
6X Large	73619	73639	73659	66"-68"	36"

JACKETS WITH SNAPS

Size	Blue	White	Teal	Chest	Sleeve
X Small	73699	73820	73840	30"-32"	33 3/8"
Small	73700	73821	73841	34"-36"	34"
Medium	73710	73822	73842	38"-40"	34 3/8"
Large	73720	73823	73843	42"-44"	35"
X Large	73730	73824	73844	46"-48"	35 1/2"
2X Large	73740	73825	73845	50"-52"	35 1/2"
3X Large	73741	73826	73846	54"-56"	37 1/2"
4X Large	73742	73827	73847	58"-60"	36 1/2"
5X Large	73743	73828	73848	62"-64"	36"
6X Large	73744	73829	73849	66"-68"	36"

JACKETS WITH CUFFS

Size	Blue	White	Teal	Chest	Sleeve
X Small	73749	73830	73850	30"-32"	33 3/4"
Small	73750	73831	73851	34"-36"	34"
Medium	73755	73832	73852	38"-40"	34 3/8"
Large	73760	73833	73853	42"-44"	35"
X Large	73765	73834	73854	46"-48"	35 1/2"
2X Large	73770	73835	73855	50"-52"	35 1/2"
3X Large	73771	73836	73856	54"-56"	37 1/2"
4X Large	73772	73837	73857	58"-60"	36 1/2"
5X Large	73773	73838	73858	62"-64"	36"
6X Large	73774	73839	73859	66"-68"	36"

Installation

Follow the directions below for proper installation and grounding of the ESD smock.

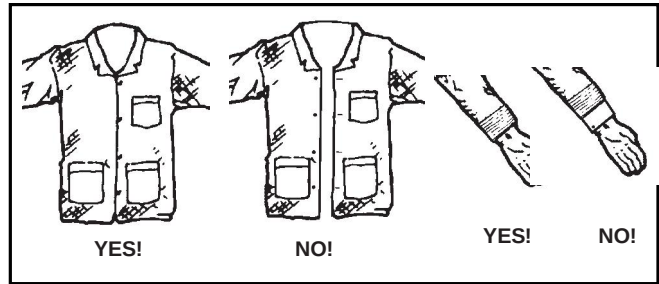


Figure 3. Proper installation of smock on wearer's body

1. Put on the smock and fasten all of the snaps on the front of the smock, making sure that clothing is not exposed outside of the smock.
2. Throughout use, it is essential that conductive cuff be in intimate contact with wrist skin; conductive cuff should never be allowed to be pulled up and over shirt sleeve.
3. Install a ground cord to the snap stud located above the left hand hip pocket. Take the other end of the ground cord and connect to a verified ground point such as a grounding block or common point mat ground.

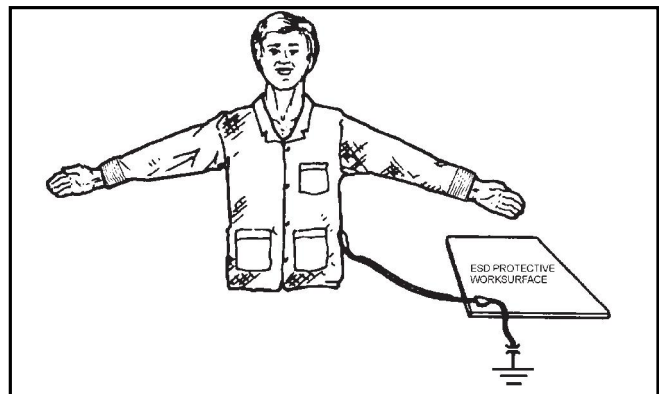


Figure 4. Grounding the smock

The user and the smock will now be properly grounded. The "hip to cuff" grounding feature allows greater freedom of movement of user's arms and hands, and a reliable path to ground while the ESD smock offers extra protection against damaging electrostatic fields which may be generated by the user's clothing.

NOTE: ANSI/ESD S20.20 REQUIRES THAT THE GROUND CORD SELECTED FOR GROUNDING OF PERSONNEL CONTAIN A BUILT-IN CURRENT LIMITING 1 MEGOHM RESISTOR.

Heat Sealed Patches

It is possible to heat seal patches to our smocks. The patch should be small and the smock should be tested before and after application.

Grounding Integrity Testing

For daily testing or monitoring of the grounding integrity of Desco ESD protective smocks and ground cords, we recommend the use of standard wrist strap testers or single-wire workstation continuous monitors.

Panel to panel conductivity is essential so as not to leave portions of the smock as isolated charged conductors. Panel to panel conductivity is easy to test using our Surface Resistance Test Kit Item #19780, by placing 5 pound electrodes on different panels. Unless properly grounded, the smocks can hold a charge and become a possible source for discharge to ESD susceptible products. For additional information, refer to ANSI/ESD S20.20, TR20.20, and the ESD Association Garment Standard, ESD-STM2.1. Desco has several testers available for this purpose. For more information ask for specification drawings or operating instruction manuals by item number.

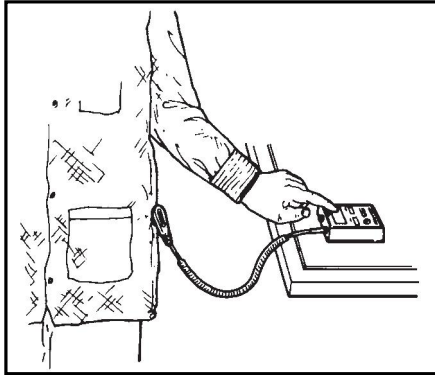


Figure 5. Testing and monitoring of smock and ground cord assembly

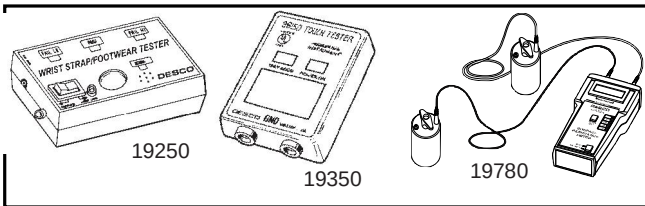


Figure 6. Testers

Maintenance

For proper operation, the ESD protective smock must be laundered periodically. Woolite works well. Liquid detergents are better than dry in that there is less caking and frictional wear. Launder garment in cool or warm water, tumble dry with low heat or hang dry. In terms of laundering the smocks by hand or with a washing machine, most prefer using a washing machine. This works well if using a standard house machine on gentle cycle. Industrial machines are fine if "Pony" (typically under 200 pound loads) machines are used. It is not recommended to launder these garments in heavy industrial laundry machines as it will lead to premature wear. Garments should be tumbled dry using low heat. **DO NOT BLEACH.**

The carbon-suffused mono-filament nylon is sensitive to heat and should not be exposed to laundering heat in excess of 120°F. Use only non-ionic softeners and detergents when laundering. Under normal wearing and recommended washing conditions, Desco Statshield® ESD protective smocks will maintain their usefulness and effectiveness for a minimum of 100 washings. Some other ESD smocks have as little as 1% suffused carbon and lose their ESD protective qualities after a few washings.

Specifications

Fabric Weight	2.2 oz per square yard
Fabric Content	Texturized polyester and a minimum of 9% carbon mono-filament nylon.
Carbon Mono-filament	Conductive at 10^4 ohms, non-flaking and non-sloughing.
Surface Resistivity	10^5 - 10^6 ohms, per ESD-STM2.1 of Fabric
Static Decay Rate	5000 volts to 500 volts in less than 0.1 seconds, per FTMS-101C
Glass Transition Temp	250°F
Flash Point	1040°F

Note: Material sample swatches are available upon request. Fabric lots vary slightly in color and weight. If you have any question please don't hesitate to request a sample material from our Customer Service Team.

Limited Warranty

Desco expressly warrants that for a period of two (2) years from the date of purchase or (100) one-hundred wash cycles, whichever occurs first, Desco Statshield® ESD Smocks will be free of defects in material (parts) and workmanship (labor). Within the warranty period, a credit for purchase of replacement Desco Statshield® ESD Smocks, or, at Desco's option, the Statshield® ESD Smock will be repaired or replaced free of charge. If product credit is issued, the amount will be calculated by multiplying the unused portion of the expected two year or 100 wash cycle life times the original unit purchase price. Call Customer Service at 909-627-8178 (Chino, CA) or (781) 821-8370 (Canton, MA) for Return Material Authorization (RMA) and proper shipping instructions and address. Include a copy of your original packing slip, invoice, or other proof of date of purchase. Any garment under warranty should be shipped prepaid to the Desco factory. Warranty replacements will take approximately two weeks.

Warranty Exclusions

THE FOREGOING EXPRESS WARRANTY IS MADE IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER PRODUCT WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED AND IMPLIED, INCLUDING MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE WHICH ARE SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMED. The express warranty will not apply to defects or damage due to accidents, neglect, misuse, alterations, operator error, or failure to properly maintain, clean or repair products.

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