

China Product Standard GB/T 22864-2020 Towels Technical Parameters Comparison to the 2009 Version

GB/T 22864-2020 *Towels* was recently published. It is applicable to woven towels, including terry towels. It is not applicable to microfiber towels and disposable towels. It will be effective September 1, 2020. In comparison to GB/T 22864-2009, major technical parameter changes are the following:

No	Parameters	GB/T 22864-2009				GB/T 22864-2020		Remarks		
		Details and requirements								
1	Scope	Applicable to woven towels mainly made of textile material. Other towel products can also refer to this standard.				Applicable to woven towels mainly made of textile material. Not applicable to microfiber towels and disposable towels.		New version rules out microfiber towels and disposable towels from the scope		
2	Physical Properties	Mandatory requirements					Add reference to GB 31701		Update with reference to GB 31701	
		Fiber content	According to FZ/T 01053				According to GB/T 29862		Update the fiber content disclosure and test standards	
		Product weight deviation	Weight deviation (Combined with moisture regain)				Weight deviation (Standard atmosphere)		New version measures constant weight in the standard atmosphere per GB/T 6529.	
		Tensile strength	No change							New version exempts small towels of insufficient sizes for testing to this requirement
		Absorbency	No change							New version updates the test method version and adds 'avoid taking sample from printed, satin and embroidery parts that might affect water absorbency'
		Pile loss%, ≤		Premium grade	First grade	Pass grade	Premium grade: 0.5 First grade: 1.5 Pass grade: 2.0		2020 version updates the test method version and specified as GB/T 22897-2019 method A ".	
			Non terry towel	0.4	1.0	1.5				
			Terry towel	0.5	1.5	2.0				
		Colorfastness to rubbing ≥	Colorfastness to wet rubbing: Pass grade 2-3				Colorfastness to wet rubbing: Pass grade 3 (Print, dark color 2-3)		Both 2009 & 2020 versions allow dark colors for premium & first grade with requirement reduced by 1/2 grade.	
Colorfastness to bleaching ≥		Premium grade	First grade	Pass grade	Color change Premium grade: 4 First grade: 3-4 Pass grade: 3		2020 version does not assess color staining in colorfastness to bleaching			
	C Change	4	3-4	3						
	C Stain	4	3-4	3						
Water extractable materials from towels	/				Only applicable to Premium grade: According to GB/T 27754		For sample with length exceed 1800 mm and width exceed 1200 mm, take ¼ sample from the whole, bind the cut edges with threads like overseam.			
3	Appearance	/				Revise the appearance inspection criteria. Add the inspection on loose threads at overseam		Update appearance inspection criteria		
4	Instruction for use	According to GB 5296.4. Product shall be marked with specifications and dimensions.				According to GB/T 5296.4 and GB 31701. Product can be marked with "Wash before use" at prominent location.		Minor revision for labeling requirements		

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