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### "UV shielding" SEK mark was newly established.

### Nissenken is a designated testing institution.

On October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, the Japan Textile Evaluation Technology Council (Sengikyo), certifies SEK marks for Antimicrobial deodorant finishing and Antiviral finishing, began operating the UV-shielding SEK Mark. In order to obtain the mark, test data are required according to JIS L 1925 UV Shielding Evaluation Method for Textile Products, and Nissenken is a designated testing institution.

# SEK mark is expected to increase demand for UV shielding by enactment.

Consumer needs for fashion items, interiors, and other products are growing, but in recent years, a variety of functional textile products are on the shelf, thanks to proactive proposals from manufacturers and other businesses.

There is a high demand for health-oriented functionality, and it is expected that the adoption of this SEK mark will further increase demand for UV-shielding functions.



#### UV Shielding SEK Mark -

Applicable Products	Textile products with UV shielding and textile products that are effective with UV shielding by colors and materials.		
Product sales Possible areas	Japan, China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam, Singapore, Malaysia, India, Turkey, Russia, Korea (If you wish to sell products bearing the SEK mark overseas, please contact the Secretariat of the Japan Textile Evaluation Technology Council in advance.)		
Method to obtain mark	Submit various application forms and test data to certifying functionality to Sengikyo and undergo certification audits The deadline for applying for certification is mid-April, mid-July, mid-October, and mid-January. For details, please contact the Secretariat of Japan Textile Evaluation Technology Council.		
Test	Test Standard	UV Shielding Evaluation Method for JIS L 1925 Textile Products	
	Evaluation criteria	<ul> <li>A = UV shielding rate 98% or more or UPF50+</li> <li>B = UV shielding rate of 90% or more or UPF15 or more</li> <li>*1 UPF</li> </ul>	

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