

3 Questions to Ask When Considering Microban[®] Antimicrobial Product Protection on Your Medical Scales

An SR Instruments, Inc. Article



Overview

Microban[®] antimicrobial product protection on medical scales is a recent development that has gained traction as a product of interest by medical professionals. Specifically, the company's SilverShield[®] technology additive provides health care systems with a proactive way to reduce the growth of bacteria on Microban infused scales as part of a hospital's approach to creating a cleaner healthcare environment. SR Instruments, manufacturer of SR Scales, is the exclusive provider of professional medical scales with Microban SilverShield technology.

This development is an important one as the typical hospital scale is moved, handled, and used by dozens, perhaps hundreds of people per day. Under the right conditions, microbes on an untreated surface can double every 20 minutes. Microban protection begins to work as soon as the micro-organism comes into contact with the product surface. It then works continuously to maintain a consistently lower bio-burden than would be expected on a product without Microban protection. The product protection is built-in during the manufacturing process, will not wash off or wear away, and is engineered to provide continuous antimicrobial product protection for the useful lifetime of the product.

If your health system is considering the use of an antimicrobial additive on your medical scales, here are three questions to ask while researching these products.

1) Exactly which parts of the scale are treated with Microban antimicrobial product protection?

For the best possible results, having comprehensive antimicrobial coverage on as many of the scale's surfaces ensure that maximum product protection is achieved. For example, SR Scales with Microban product protection, ALL touch surfaces are infused with Microban antimicrobial product protection. This includes the entire base platform, keypad, complete display housing, stanchion, any and all side rails, and visible labeling. Buyers of SR Scales with Microban technology can rest assured that they are getting total antimicrobial product protection on all the touch surfaces of their SR Scales products.

2) How many of a scale manufacturer's products have total product coverage with Microban antimicrobial product protection?



SR Scales has fourteen different scale models that run its entire line up of professional medical scales with complete Microban product protection on all touch surfaces. (The number would jump to twenty-eight scales if SR were to count the KG-only versions of these scale models.) Product categories include stand-on scales, wheelchair scales, pediatric scales, and wall mount scales. This wide range of products means that hospital systems looking to standardize on SR Scales throughout all their locations, get an all-



encompassing line up of professional medical scales to choose from, each with complete Microban antimicrobial product protection, standard at no additional cost.

3) Are they an authorized Microban[®] International Business Partner?

Only one company is authorized and approved by Microban International, Ltd to be the exclusive medical scale manufacturer with Microban antimicrobial product protection: SR Instruments, Inc., manufacturer of SR Scales.



4) How long is their product warranty?

Ok, so three questions were stated in the title, not four.

But here's a bonus value question for you – find out what the warranty period is for the scales you are considering. Specifically, how long is it? One year? Two years? Three years? Do you have to buy UP to get an extended warranty?

SR Scales covers its products with an unheard of FOUR YEAR product warranty.

Now that's product protection, peace of mind for your investment, and a great ROI for your budget.

Additional Resources

Medical professionals in biomedical, strategic sourcing, and infection prevention wanting to learn more about SR's antimicrobial scales can access the following online resources:

Video: Antimicrobial Scales featuring Microban[®] Product Protection http://bit.ly/SR-Scales-Antimicrobial

White Paper: The Next Generation of Silver Technology http://bit.ly/Microban-WP

SR Scales with Microban Product Protection:

https://srinstruments.com/antimicrobial-scales

About SR Instruments, Inc. (www.srinstruments.com)

SR Instruments is a manufacturer of purpose-built medical scales as well as OEM and ODM solutions that address critical weighing requirements for multiple industries. The company's flagship product line, SR Scales, provides highly accurate weighing systems for hospitals, medical facilities, and long-term care centers. Additional markets for SR Scales' weighing solutions include veterinary, zoological, aquariums, and waterparks. SR Instruments is headquartered in the greater Buffalo, NY region. The company manages the complete process of customizing scales and weighing systems, from initial design concepts to prototyping and final production.

