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What is the correct condition of filtering half mask for Mechanical Strength and Temperature Conditioning according to EN 149:2001+A1:2009?				
If Specimen are received with packaging:				
 1/ Mechanical Strength According to 8.3.3 of 149:2001+A1:2009, Mechanical Strength shall be done in accordance with EN 143. According to 8.3.2 of EN 143:2000+A1:2006 and 6.10.2 of EN 143:2021, Un-encapsulated filter(s) shall be subjected to Mechanical Strength in the smallest commercially available package. 				
Filtering half mask shall be subject to mechanical Strength According to 8.3.3 of 149:2001+A1:2009 in the smallest commercially available				lest commercially available
package (e.g. cardboard box of 10 Filtering half mask).				
The condition of specimen during mechanical strength shall be detailed in the test report.				
2/ Temperature conditioning				
 Paragraph 8.3.2 of 149:2001+A1:2009 defines only: "Expose the particle filtering half masks to the following thermal cycle:" Compared to several other European standard (EN 143, EN 1827), this sentence is unclear. According to 8.3.2 of EN 143:2000+A1:2006, the filter in its packaging, if appropriate, shall be subjected to the thermal cycle According to 6.10.1 of EN 143:2021, the filters in their ready for assembly state shall be subjected to the temperature conditioning Ready for assembly state is "component with seals, plugs or other environmental protective means, if applicable, still in place" 				
Filtering half mask shall be subject to temperature conditioning According to 8.3.2 of 149:2001+A1:2009 in the single packaging when				
existing (e.g. single plastic bag) or in the smallest commercially available package (e.g. cardboard box of 10 Filtering half mask).				
The condition of specimen during temperature conditioning shall be detailed in the test report.				
If Specimen are received without packaging:				
Condition of specimen during conditioning shall be agreed with the manufacturer.				
The condition of specimen during conditioning shall be detailed in the test report.				