

# TOSAMA MENSTRUAL TAMPONS & SANITARY PADS INGREDIENTS ACCORDING TO CALIFORNIAN LAW

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# MENSTRUAL PERIOD POLICIES IN THE UNITED STATES

- Menstrual tampons are intended for insertion into the vagina for the absorption of menstrual or other vaginal discharge. They are used by healthy people during menstruation.
- The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) classifies menstrual tampons as Class II (non-significant risk) medical device.
- A menstrual pad, or simply pad, (also known as a sanitary pad, sanitary towel, sanitary napkin or feminine napkin) is an absorbent item worn by women in their underwear when menstruating, bleeding after giving birth, recovering from gynecologic surgery, experiencing a miscarriage or abortion, or in any other situation where it is necessary to absorb a flow of blood from the vagina.
- The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) classifies menstrual pads as Class I (non-significant risk) medical device.
- “CA Law - Packages containing menstrual products manufactured on or after January 1, 2023 that are sold in California shall clearly and conspicuously list all ingredients in the menstrual product. The ingredients shall be listed in order of predominance by weight, except for those that are less than 1% in weight, which may be listed in any order at the end. Ingredients shall be listed using International Nomenclature of Cosmetic Ingredients (INCI), the household Commercial Product Association’s Consumer product Ingredient Dictionary (HCPA Dictionary), or by common chemical name. However, ingredients that are confidential business information may be disclosed using a common name.”

[Today's Law As Amended - AB-1989 Menstrual Products Right to Know Act of 2020. \(ca.gov\)](#)

- The ingredient information should be also posted from January 1, 2023 on a Brand owner\_Manufacturer website, in an electronically readable format.

Tosama kindly asks all our partners in USA to share with us in advance published informations on their website.

# COMPONENTS according to Californian (CA) Law

Components **which have functional purpose:**



## MENSTRUAL TAMPON COMPONENTS:

1. Tampon core
2. Tampon security veil
3. Tampon withdrawal string

## OTHER COMPONENTS:



4. Applicator
5. Wrapping foil (wrapper)



## MENSTRUAL PAD COMPONENTS:

1. Absorbent core
2. Top sheet
3. Back sheet
4. Adhesive

## OTHER COMPONENTS:










5. Release paper
6. Adhesive on wrapping foil (wrapper)
7. Wrapping foil (wrapper)

# Hygiene Products components: TAMPON

Component	Functions	Ingredients
<i>Tampon core</i>	<i>Absorbs fluids</i>	<i>Options: organic cotton <u>or</u> cotton</i>  <i><u>or</u></i>  <i>viscose from cellulose, blend of polyglycol fatty acid esters, Pigment White 6 (PW6)</i>
<i>Tampon security veil</i>	<i>Facilitates insertion/removal of the tampon, keeps the tampon fibres intact and aids the absorption of fluid</i>	<i>polyester (PET), polyethylene (PE), oil finish, Pigment White 6 (PW6)</i>
<i>Tampon withdrawal string</i>  <i>with water repellent wax coating</i>	<i>Allows removal of the tampon</i>  <i>prevents leakage on underwear</i>	<i>Options: organic cotton <u>or</u> cotton</i>  <i>paraffin emulsion</i>
<i>Applicator</i>	<i>Helps insertion of the tampon</i>	<i>Options: BPA-free polyethylene (PE) <u>or</u></i>  <i>Biobased BPA-free polyethylene (PE)</i>
<i>Wrapping foil (wrapper)</i>	<i>Keeps the tampon clean,</i>  <i>can be used to dispose the tampon</i>	<i>Options: recyclable polypropylene (PP) <u>or</u></i>  <i>recyclable polyethylene (PE) <u>or</u></i>  <i>biodegradable cellophane, certified as compostable in both industrial and home composting environment</i>



# Hygiene Products components: SANITARY PAD

Component		Functions	Ingredients
Absorbent core		Absorption of liquid, liquid distribution through the channel	Organic cotton
Top sheet		Soft feel, liquid transfer to the core	Organic cotton
Back sheet		Leakage protection	Corn starch bioplastics (biodegradable and compostable)
Adhesive		Sticking absorbent core & back sheet & top sheet together  Adhesion to the underwear	Hotmelt adhesive
Release paper		Adhesive protection	Paper coated with silicone
Adhesive on wrapping foil (wrapper)		Sticking of wrapping foil and release paper	Hotmelt adhesive
Wrapping foil (wrapper)		Product protection	<u>Options:</u> corn starch bioplastics (biodegradable and compostable) or recyclable polyethylene (PE)

# ORGANIC cotton / Cotton TAMPONS without nonwoven\_DIGITAL (NON APPLICATOR)

## MENSTRUAL TAMPON COMPONENTS:

- Tampon core:
- Tampon removal string:



## INGREDIENTS:

options: organic cotton or cotton  
options: organic cotton or cotton,  
paraffin emulsion (water repellent  
coating)



## OTHER COMPONENTS:

- Wrapping foil (wrapper):



## OTHER INGREDIENTS:

options: recyclable polypropylene (PP) or  
biodegradable cellophane, certified as  
compostable in both industrial and  
home composting environments



# ORGANIC cotton / Cotton TAMPONS without nonwoven\_APPLICATOR

## MENSTRUAL TAMPON COMPONENTS:

- Tampon core:
- Tampon removal string:



## OTHER COMPONENTS:

- Applicator:
- Wrapping foil (wrapper):



## INGREDIENTS:

options: organic cotton or cotton

options: organic cotton or cotton, paraffin emulsion (water repellent coating)

## OTHER INGREDIENTS:

options: BPA-free polyethylene (PE) or Biobased BPA-free polyethylene (PE)

options: recyclable polypropylene (PP) or recyclable polyethylene (PE) or biodegradable cellophane, certified as compostable in both industrial and home composting environments





# ORGANIC COTTON / COTTON TAMPONS with nonwoven\_DIGITAL (NON APPLICATOR)

## MENSTRUAL TAMPON COMPONENTS:

- Tampon core:
- Tampon security veil:
- Tampon removal string:

## INGREDIENTS:

options: organic cotton or cotton  
polyester (PET), polyethylene (PE), oil  
finish, Pigment White 6 (PW6)  
options: organic cotton or cotton, paraffin  
emulsion (water repellent coating)

## OTHER COMPONENTS:

- Wrapping foil (wrapper):

## OTHER INGREDIENTS:

options: recyclable polypropylene (PP) or  
biodegradable cellophane, certified as  
compostable in both industrial and home  
composting environments



# ORGANIC COTTON / COTTON TAMPONS with nonwoven\_APPLICATOR

## MENSTRUAL TAMPON COMPONENTS:

- Tampon core:
- Tampon security veil:
- Tampon removal string:



## INGREDIENTS:

options: organic cotton or cotton polyester (PET), polyethylene (PE), oil finish, Pigment White 6 (PW6)

options: organic cotton or cotton, paraffin emulsion (water repellent coating)

## OTHER COMPONENTS:

- Applicator:
- Wrapping foil (wrapper):



## OTHER INGREDIENTS:

options: BPA-free polyethylene (PE) or Biobased BPA-free polyethylene (PE)

options: recyclable polypropylene (PP) or recyclable polyethylene (PE) or biodegradable cellophane, certified as compostable in both industrial and home composting environments



# VISCOSE TAMPONS\_DIGITAL (NON APPLICATOR)

## MENSTRUAL TAMPON COMPONENTS:

- Tampon core:
- Tampon security veil:
- Tampon removal string:



## INGREDIENTS:

viscose made from cellulose,  
finish-(blend of polyglycol fatty acid esters),  
Pigment White 6 (PW6);  
polyester (PET), polyethylene (PE), oil finish,  
Pigment White 6 (PW6);  
cotton, paraffin emulsion (water repellent  
coating)

## OTHER COMPONENTS:

- Wrapping foil (wrapper):



## OTHER INGREDIENTS:

options: recyclable polypropylene (PP) or  
biodegradable cellophane, certified as  
compostable in both industrial and home  
composting environments

# VISCOSE TAMPONS\_APPLICATOR



## MENSTRUAL TAMPON COMPONENTS:

- Tampon core:
- Tampon security veil:
- Tampon removal string:



## INGREDIENTS:

viscose made from cellulose,  
finish-(blend of polyglycol fatty acid esters),  
Pigment White 6 (PW6);  
polyester (PET), polyethylene (PE), oil finish,  
Pigment White 6 (PW6);  
cotton, paraffin emulsion (water repellent coating)

## OTHER COMPONENTS:

- Applicator:
- Wrapping foil (wrapper):



## OTHER INGREDIENTS:

BPA-free polyethylene (PE) or  
Biobased BPA-free polyethylene (PE)  
options: recyclable polypropylene (PP) or  
recyclable polyethylene (PE) or  
biodegradable cellophane, certified as compostable in  
both industrial and home composting environments

# ORGANIC COTTON PADS\_REGULAR (DAY) & SUPER (NIGHT)

## MENSTRUAL PAD COMPONENTS:

- Absorbent core:
- Top sheet:
- Back sheet:



- Adhesive:



## OTHER COMPONENTS:

- Release paper:
- Adhesive on wrapping foil (wrapper):
- Wrapping foil (wrapper):



## INGREDIENTS:

organic cotton  
organic cotton  
corn starch bioplastics  
(biodegradable and compostable)  
hotmelt adhesive

## OTHER INGREDIENTS:

paper coated with silicone  
Hotmelt adhesive  
options: corn starch bioplastics  
(biodegradable and compostable) or  
recyclable polyethylene (PE)



# What to do in case of old packaging?



- If your existing packaging is on stock and does not have complete information related to the new law, please contact us and together we will find a solution where to add a label (customized sticker) with all the necessary information for the ingredients of the tampons.
- This only applies to old packaging that is still on stock.
- The new packaging should contain all the necessary information related to the ingredients of the tampons.



Custom sticker





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