

In order to keep linen replacement costs manageable, items with light stains will be kept in circulation. The following standards should be used to determine if an item is acceptable or unacceptable.

ITEM	ACCEPTABLE	UNACCEPTABLE	
Bath Blankets	 Light stains up to 3" 	 Thin Blankets Any foreign adhering materials 	Accordion wrinklesHoles
Flat Sheet	 Light stains up to 3" in center of sheet 	 Holes More than 2" of loose hem or salvage 	 Any foreign adhering materials Accordion wrinkles
Pillowcase	• Light stains up to 1"	 Holes Any foreign adhering materials 	Accordion wrinkles
Washcloth	No quality defects are acceptable.	• Holes	 Stains or discolorations
Thermal Spreads	 One 2" long pull or snag per foot 	• Holes	
Knitted Sheets (Contour)	No quality defects are acceptable.	HolesThin sheets	 Any foreign adhering materials
All Apparel, including Level 1 Isolation Gowns	 All ties and snaps fully functional 	 Stains, Holes or Tears 	 Any foreign adhering materials
Bath Towel	 Light stains up to 1" One half inch pull or snag 	 Any foreign adhering materials Thin towels with visible thread counts 	 Rips or holes beyond hems Discoloration
Incontinent Pad (Underpad)	 Stains up to 2" in diameter, 2 stains per pad 	 Holes or tears on barrier side 	
Receiving Blanket	 Light stains up to 1" No more than 2 light stains per blanket 	HolesDiscoloration	 Any foreign adhering materials



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ITEM (cont.)	ACCEPTABLE	UNACCEPTABLE	
Infant Diaper	 Light stains up to 2" Medium stain up to 1" 	HolesDiscoloration	Any foreign adhering materials
Infant Shirt	All snaps in working order	StainsHoles	Discoloration Any foreign adhering materials
Surgical Towels	No quality defects are acceptable.	 Any foreign adhering materials Lint or hair 	Stains or Holes Loose or torn hems
Scrub Shirts	 Ink stains (Scrub may be turned inside out) 	 Any foreign adhering materials Holes Discoloration Tears or holes along pockets 	Thin linen Accordion wrinkles
Scrub Pants	 Ink stains (Scrub may be turned inside out) 	 Any foreign adhering materials Holes Discoloration 	No tears or holes along pockets Thin linen Accordion wrinkles
Barrier Surgical Wrappers	 Light/small identifiable tape stains that are not gummy or hard Light spots that do not affect the continuity of the fabric Ink Patching on one side only Patching limits are for any 10"square area (10x10), no more than 3 patches 	 Oily stains Loose patches Overlapping patches 	Blood stains Holes Foreign debris
Non-Barrier Surgical Wrappers	• Oil stains up to 3"	Foreign debrisLoose hems	Holes