



Q & A for SanMar's Mask Production

Is SanMar making face masks?

SanMar is working with the White House and a coalition of U.S. apparel and textile companies to build a supply chain to produce millions of much-needed face masks. These masks will be distributed by the federal government to support hospitals, health care workers and others battling the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

What types of masks are being made by SanMar?

SanMar is manufacturing general use face masks approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). For clarification, the masks ARE NOT N95 respirators that are designed to form a seal around the nose and mouth and are commonly used in healthcare settings.

Where are they being made?

SanMar is producing masks and the textiles needed for the masks in our plants in Tennessee and Honduras.

Will my company be able to buy and sell the masks?

At this point there are no plans to sell them outside of our distribution arrangement with the federal government.

What other companies are helping produce the face masks?

The coalition includes other American-owned textile companies such as Hanesbrands, Fruit of the Loom, Parkdale Mills and five other companies that are re-tooling their manufacturing capabilities to quickly make millions of face masks each week.

How many masks are you hoping to produce?

The coalition is expecting to produce five to six million masks each week. The first deliveries of masks are expected the week of March 30.

I would like to support the manufacturing and distribution efforts around the country. How can I help?

There are a few ways that you can help:

- There are contract opportunities through FEMA. Click on FEMA's [FAQ page](#) and then find information in the "Doing Business with FEMA" section.
- Information on government contracts can be [found here](#).
- Bella + Canvas is also joining in the efforts to produce face masks and they are looking for assistance. [Here is a video](#) of what they are working on. Find their contact information at the end of the video.

These frequently asked questions will be updated as needed and more information will be forthcoming. For further information, please send your inquiries to maskinquiries@sanmar.com. Thank you for your support of SanMar during this difficult time, and please stay safe.