Air Sock Cleaning

CHALLENGE





We were contacted by the Hygiene Manager at a UK baked goods production facility. The site was using fabric ducting, and the Hygiene Manager was concerned about the cleanliness of the interior of the air socks, particularly as they had a major audit only a couple of months away.

The HVDS Hygiene Team arrived on site within 24 hours of the phone call to investigate. The team took down the fabric ducting and saw that the inside of the air socks was indeed contaminated with a build-up of yeast and mould. The build-up had occurred over a few years and presented a risk.







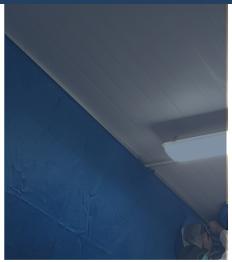








FABRIC DUCTING CLEANING



CASE STUDY







SOLUTION

The contamination in the fabric ducting was so great that rather than launder them, the socks were condemned, and replacement socks were installed in the relevant production areas. The engineers also removed any debris and sanitised all other relevant parts of the Air Handling Unit to ensure maximum hygiene.

We achieved all this in time for the audit and the site now has a cleaning contract with HVDS to launder their air socks every 6 months. We have also procured a spare set of air socks for the facility to enable replacement during cleaning and maintenance times. The site now benefits from hygienic ducting, increased efficiency and audit compliance.









