A condom gives people the ability to control their lives. Condoms remain the only preventive barrier method offering triple protection against: HIV, sexually transmitted infections and unintended pregnancies.

**WHAT ARE THE OBJECTIVES?**

- Reduce HIV infections
- Effective quality management systems
- Identification of reliable manufacturers
- Physical capacity of manufacturers
- Reduce risks

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**
Manufacturers send an EOI and submit documentation.

**ON-SITE INSPECTION**
Manufacturing activities are verified and batches are sampled and sent to an independent ISO 17025 accredited laboratory for testing.

**REVIEW**
UNFPA technical experts conduct a detailed review and if satisfactory, a factory inspection is arranged.

**FAIL/REAPPLY**

**PASS/LISTED**

**CATALOGUE**
UNFPA online catalogue offers condoms in a variety of sizes, colours, textures, scents, flavours and shapes.

**AGREEMENT**
If successful, the selected manufacturer will hold a long term agreement (LTA) with UNFPA for 3 years based on a competitive bidding process.

**PRODUCTION**
Finally the factories start manufacturing the condoms.

**QUALITY TESTING**
During production all condoms are electronically tested.

**PACKAGING**
The condoms are hand-packed into boxes.

**SHIPMENT**
Condoms are only shipped if they pass the pre-shipment testing.

**ARRIVAL**
Condoms reach port of destination and ultimately the hand of the users.

UNFPA is the world's largest procurer of contraception for public funds. Recently UNFPA experienced a record growth, procuring on average 3.1 million quality assured condoms every day.

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