



## **HORSEHAIR STERILIZATION**

The horsehair that Gordon Brush Mfg. Co., Inc. uses is dressed, which means cleaned, sterilized, combed, and bundled. The dressing procedure requires sterilization at origin by boiling or by steam at a minimum of 100 degrees centigrade for no less than 1 hour.

This horse hair is imported from China or South America to Mexico for further processing including sterilization, combing, mixing, trimming, bundling and packaging. As part of the processing procedure, the horsehair is sterilized by use of steam in an autoclave for a minimum of 125 degrees centigrade for not less than 45 minutes and meets or exceeds all of the sterilization requirements of the United States Department of Agriculture for the manufacture of Brushes. It is then brought into the United States with a certificate of origin and a veterinary certificate certifying inspection and testing as well as sterilization by steam or boiling.

## **HOG BRISTLE STERILIZATION**

The hog bristles that Gordon Brush Mfg. Co., Inc. uses is dressed, which means cleaned, sterilized, combed, and bundled. The dressing procedure requires sterilization at origin by washing and boiling at a minimum of 100 degrees centigrade for no less than 2 hours and meets or exceeds all of the sterilization requirements of the United States Department of Agriculture for the manufacture of Brushes.

This hog bristle is imported from China after processing which includes sterilization, combing, mixing, trimming, bundling and packaging. It is then brought into the United States with a certificate of origin and a veterinary certificate certifying inspection and testing as well as sterilization by steam or boiling.