I claim:

1. A wipes container adapted to be set on a flat surface, the container comprising:

a dispenser housing defining a top wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a bottom wall, a first side wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a second side wall, and a first end wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a second end wall, wherein all of the walls collectively define an interior space,

wherein the top wall includes a dispensing orifice through which wipes can be extracted from the interior space; and

a plurality of wipes disposed within the interior space, each wipe adapted to be extracted from the interior space through the dispensing orifice,

the first end wall having a first slip-resistant periphery and the second end wall having a second slip-resistant periphery, each slip-resistant periphery comprising thermoplastic elastomer material,

wherein said thermoplastic elastomer material is disposed along each periphery such that:

(1) thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery and thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery each contact said flat surface when the bottom wall faces said flat surface;

(2) thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery and thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery each contact said flat surface when either of the first and second side walls faces said flat surface;

(3) thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery contacts said flat surface when the first end wall faces said flat surface; and

(4) thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery contacts said flat surface when the second end wall faces said flat surface,

wherein the first end wall comprises a first removable cap having no permanent connection to the top wall, bottom wall, first side wall, or second side wall, and wherein the first end wall can be removed to provide access to the interior space via a refill orifice.

2. The container of claim 1 wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery forms a continuous, unbroken loop around the first slip-resistant periphery, and wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery forms a continuous, unbroken loop around the second slip-resistant periphery.

3. The container of claim 1 wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery forms a discontinuous, intermittent pattern around the first slip-resistant periphery, and wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery forms a discontinuous, intermittent pattern around the second slip-resistant periphery.

4. The container of any preceding claim wherein the first slip-resistant periphery includes at least one grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall.

5. The container of any preceding claim wherein the first slip-resistant periphery includes a first grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall over a portion of the top wall, and wherein the first slip-resistant periphery includes a second grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall over a portion of the bottom wall.

6. The container of any preceding claim wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material of the first slip-resistant periphery is integrally molded with a non-elastomer thermoplastic portion of the first end wall, and wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material of the second slip-resistant periphery is integrally molded with a non-elastomer thermoplastic portion of the second end wall.

7. A wipes container adapted to be set on a flat surface, the container comprising:

a dispenser housing defining a top wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a bottom wall, a first side wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a second side wall, and a first end wall spaced apart from and generally parallel

to a second end wall, the top and bottom walls being generally perpendicular to the side walls and the end wall, and the side walls being generally perpendicular to the end walls, wherein all of the walls collectively define an interior space, the container having a first end proximate the first end wall and a second end proximate the second end wall;

wherein the top wall includes a dispensing orifice through which wipes can be extracted from the interior space;

a plurality of wipes disposed within the interior space, each wipe adapted to be extracted from the interior space through the dispensing orifice;

a first thermoplastic elastomer loop that wraps around the first end of the container along the top wall, bottom wall, first side wall, and second side wall; and

a second thermoplastic elastomer loop that wraps around the second end of the container along the top wall, bottom wall, first side wall, and second side wall;

wherein the first end wall comprises a first removable cap having no permanent connection to the top wall, bottom wall, first side wall, or second side wall, and wherein the first end wall can be removed to provide access to the interior space via a refill orifice.

8. The container of claim 7 wherein the first thermoplastic elastomer loop is a continuous, unbroken loop, and wherein the second thermoplastic elastomer loop is a continuous, unbroken loop.

9. The container of claim 7 wherein the first thermoplastic elastomer loop comprises a discontinuous, intermittent pattern of thermoplastic elastomer material, and wherein the second thermoplastic elastomer loop comprises a discontinuous, intermittent pattern of thermoplastic elastomer material.

10. The container of any of claims 7-9 wherein the first thermoplastic elastomer loop includes at least one grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall.

11. The container of any of claims 7-10 wherein the first thermoplastic elastomer loop includes a first grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second wall over a portion of the top end wall, and wherein the first thermoplastic elastomer loop includes a second grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall over a portion of the bottom wall.

12. The container of any preceding claim wherein the second end wall comprises a second removable cap having no permanent connection to the top wall, bottom wall, first side wall, or second side wall, wherein the second end wall can be removed from a remainder of the housing.

13. The container of any preceding claim wherein the wipes are moist wipes.

I claim:

1. A wipes container adapted to be set on a flat surface, the container comprising:

a dispenser housing defining a top wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a bottom wall, a first side wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a second side wall, and a first end wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a second end wall, wherein all of the walls collectively define an interior space,

wherein the top wall includes a dispensing orifice through which wipes can be extracted from the interior space; and

a plurality of wipes disposed within the interior space, each wipe adapted to be extracted from the interior space through the dispensing orifice,

the first end wall having a first slip-resistant periphery and the second end wall having a second slip-resistant periphery, each slip-resistant periphery comprising thermoplastic elastomer material,

wherein said thermoplastic elastomer material is disposed along each periphery such that:

(1) thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery and thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery each contact said flat surface when the bottom wall faces said flat surface;

(2) thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery and thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery each contact said flat surface when either of the first and second side walls faces said flat surface;

(3) thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery contacts said flat surface when the first end wall faces said flat surface; and

(4) thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery contacts said flat surface when the second end wall faces said flat surface.

2. The container of claim 1 wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery forms a continuous, unbroken loop around the first slip-resistant periphery, and wherein the thermoplastic elastomer

material in the second slip-resistant periphery forms a continuous, unbroken loop around the second slip-resistant periphery.

3. The container of claim 1 wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery forms a discontinuous, intermittent pattern around the first slip-resistant periphery, and wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery forms a discontinuous, intermittent pattern around the second slip-resistant periphery.

4. The container of any preceding claim wherein the first slip-resistant periphery includes at least one grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall.

5. The container of any preceding claim wherein the first slip-resistant periphery includes a first grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall over a portion of the top wall, and wherein the first slip-resistant periphery includes a second grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall over a portion of the bottom wall.

6. The container of any preceding claim wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material of the first slip-resistant periphery is integrally molded with a non-elastomer thermoplastic portion of the first end wall, and wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material of the second slip-resistant periphery is integrally molded with a non-elastomer thermoplastic portion of the second end wall.

7. A wipes container adapted to be set on a flat surface, the container comprising:

a dispenser housing defining a top wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a bottom wall, a first side wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a second side wall, and a first end wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a second end wall, the top and bottom walls being generally perpendicular to the side walls and the end wall, and the side walls being generally perpendicular to the end walls, wherein all of the walls collectively define an interior space, the

container having a first end proximate the first end wall and a second end proximate the second end wall;

wherein the top wall includes a dispensing orifice through which wipes can be extracted from the interior space;

a plurality of wipes disposed within the interior space, each wipe adapted to be extracted from the interior space through the dispensing orifice;

a first thermoplastic elastomer loop that wraps around the first end of the container along the top wall, bottom wall, first side wall, and second side wall; and

a second thermoplastic elastomer loop that wraps around the second end of the container along the top wall, bottom wall, first side wall, and second side wall.

8. The container of claim 7 wherein the first thermoplastic elastomer loop is a continuous, unbroken loop, and wherein the second thermoplastic elastomer loop is a continuous, unbroken loop.

9. The container of claim 7 wherein the first thermoplastic elastomer loop comprises a discontinuous, intermittent pattern of thermoplastic elastomer material, and wherein the second thermoplastic elastomer loop comprises a discontinuous, intermittent pattern of thermoplastic elastomer material.

10. The container of any of claims 7-9 wherein the first thermoplastic elastomer loop includes at least one grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall.

11. The container of any of claims 7-10 wherein the first thermoplastic elastomer loop includes a first grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second wall over a portion of the top end wall, and wherein the first thermoplastic elastomer loop includes a second grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall over a portion of the bottom wall.

12. The container of any preceding claim wherein the first end wall comprises a first removable cap having no permanent connection to the top wall, bottom wall, first side wall, or second side wall, and wherein the first end wall can be removed to provide access to the interior space via a refill orifice.

13. The container of claim 12 wherein the second end wall comprises a second removable cap having no permanent connection to the top wall, bottom wall, first side wall, or second side wall, wherein the second end wall can be removed from a remainder of the housing.

14. The container of any preceding claim wherein the wipes are moist wipes.

15. A moist wipes container adapted to be set on a flat surface, the container comprising:

a dispenser housing defining a top wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a bottom wall, a first side wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a second side wall, and a first end wall spaced apart from and generally parallel to a second end wall, wherein all of the walls collectively define an interior space,

wherein the top wall includes a dispensing orifice through which wipes can be extracted from the interior space; and

a plurality of wipes disposed within the interior space, each wipe adapted to be extracted from the interior space through the dispensing orifice,

the first end wall having a first slip-resistant periphery and the second end wall having a second slip-resistant periphery, each slip-resistant periphery comprising thermoplastic elastomer material,

wherein said thermoplastic elastomer material is disposed along each periphery such that:

(1) thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery and thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery each contact said flat surface when the bottom wall faces said flat surface;

(2) thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery and thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery

each contact said flat surface when either of the first and second side walls faces said flat surface;

(3) thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery contacts said flat surface when the first end wall faces said flat surface; and

(4) thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery contacts said flat surface when the second end wall faces said flat surface,

wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material in the first slip-resistant periphery forms a continuous, unbroken loop around the first slip-resistant periphery, and wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material in the second slip-resistant periphery forms a continuous, unbroken loop around the second slip-resistant periphery,

wherein the first slip-resistant periphery includes a first grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall over a portion of the top wall, and wherein the first slip-resistant periphery includes a second grip tab that comprises thermoplastic elastomer material and that extends from the first end wall toward the second end wall over a portion of the bottom wall,

wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material of the first slip-resistant periphery is integrally molded with a non-elastomer thermoplastic portion of the first end wall, and wherein the thermoplastic elastomer material of the second slip-resistant periphery is integrally molded with a non-elastomer thermoplastic portion of the second end wall,

wherein the first end wall comprises a first removable cap having no permanent connection to the top wall, bottom wall, first side wall, or second side wall, and wherein the first end wall can be removed to provide access to the interior space via a refill orifice, and

wherein the second end wall comprises a second removable cap having no permanent connection to the top wall, bottom wall, first side wall, or second side wall, wherein the second end wall can be removed from a remainder of the housing.