

Small Business Best Practices

Best Practices for Cleaning and Disinfection for COVID-19

Cleaning vs Disinfecting

- The CDC has provided documentation on cleaning and disinfection of surfaces that may contain COVID-19 and many other viruses that lead to a respiratory illness. The CDC defines the following:
 - <u>Cleaning</u> refers to the removal of germs, dirt, and impurities from surfaces. Cleaning does not kill germs, but by removing them, it lowers their numbers and the risk of spreading infection.
 - <u>Disinfecting</u> refers to using chemicals to kill germs on surfaces. This process does not necessarily clean dirty surfaces or remove germs, but by killing germs on a surface after cleaning, it can further lower the risk of spreading infection.

How it Spreads

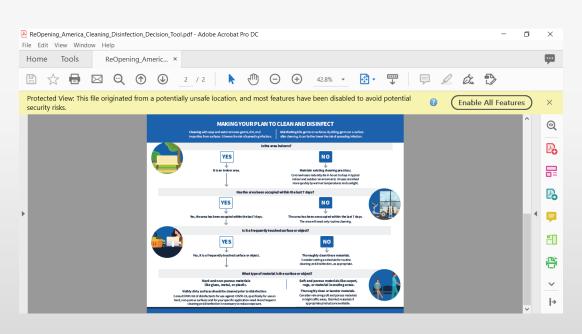
- Person-to-person spread is the primary mode of transmission
 - Between people in close contact with one another (about six feet)
 - Through respiratory droplets when an infected person coughs or sneezes
- Contact with infected surfaces or objects
 - It may be possible to get COVID-19 by touching surfaces or objects that the virus is on and then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes
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CDC Guidance on Reopening



- Follow the CDC Guidance on Reopening
 - https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/community/pdf/ReOpening America Cleaning Disinfection Decision Tool.pdf
- Follow CDC Guidance for management of contacts of persons With COVID 19
 - https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/php/public-health-recommendations.html
- Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure workforce
 - https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce
- Interim U.S. Guidance for Risk Assessment and Public Health Management of Healthcare Personnel
 - https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/hcp/guidance-risk-assesment-hcp.html

Making Your Plan



- 1. Follow CDC Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfection for Community Facilities
 - https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/community/organizations/cleaningdisinfection.html
- 2. Follow the CDC Resources for Businesses and Employers
 - https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/community/organizations/businessesemployers.html
- 3. Follow the CDC Guidance on Preparing the Workplace for COVID-19
 - https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3990.pdf
- 4. Follow OSHA Guidelines for Hazard Communications
 - https://www.osha.gov/lawsregs/regulations/standardnumber/1910/1910.1200

General Cleaning / Disinfecting Guidance

- PPE
 - Employers are obligated to provide their workers with PPE needed to keep them safe while performing their jobs.
- The types of PPE required during a COVID-19 outbreak will be based on the risk of being infected with SARS-CoV-2 while working and job tasks that may lead to exposure
- Wear PPE for cleaning and disinfection
 - Employers should check the OSHA and CDC websites regularly for updates about recommended PPE.

General Cleaning / Disinfecting Guidance

- Minimum PPE is disposable gloves and mask All types of PPE must be:
 - Selected based upon the hazard to the worker.
 - Properly fitted and periodically refitted, as applicable (e.g., respirators).
 - Consistently and properly worn when required.
 - Regularly inspected, maintained, and replaced, as necessary.
 - Properly removed, cleaned, and stored or disposed of, as applicable, to avoid contamination of self, others, or the environment.
- Gloves should be discarded after each cleaning/disinfection session

General Cleaning Guidance

- How to clean:
 - If surfaces are dirty, they should be cleaned using a detergent or soap and water
 - Diluted Isopropanol solutions (50/50) will be used for sensitive items such as electronics where water or bleach may harm the item
- Don't mix incompatible cleaning materials.
- See additional information on cleaning products in Attachment:
 - Do not mix bleach and ammonia
 - Do not mix bleach and acids
 - Do not use two drain cleaners together, or one right after the other

Pre-Opening to Public

- Has your H&V system been turned off during the period that you have been closed – If no continue to Cleaning.
- If have a water-cooling system you will need to evaluate whether you need to have the system cleaned due to potential Legionnaires Disease Concern.
- Clean your facility using your normal cleaning methods.
- Disinfect all public surface areas, including floors and bathrooms, with a disinfectant solution see attached listing.

Employee Personal Hygiene - General

- Obtain temperature for staff, contractors, and all other peoples (i.e. people seeking employment, salesman, deliveryman, postman, repairman) before entry to the building. Anybody with a temperature above 100F is denied access and needs to see a physician. See recommended attached form for Staff and non patrons.
- Staff report to their supervisor, see a doctor and stay away from fellow colleagues if they are unwell.
- Wear facial covering and disinfect hands often.
- Ensure there are hand sanitizing stations present at entry and throughout the building.
- Ensure everybody entering has disinfected their hands or gloves.
- Practice good personal hygiene (e.g. wash hands with soap and water before and after meals, after clean-up is carried out, after handling refuse or other dirty items and after visiting the toilet).
- Use gloves when carrying out cleaning work and when handling waste.
- People should refrain from touching their exposed body parts such as face and arms with soiled hands / gloves.

Patrons Entering Facilities

- Prefer setting up reservation system to track patrons.
- If not reservation system record name and phone number of party member.
- Use the cell phone number to contact patron as space becomes available.
- Limit waiting area or eliminate per social distancing prefer sending everyone back to their car if they can not be immediately allowed into the building.
- Greeters should wear mask / face covering.
- Obtain temperature of patron as they enter facility. Anybody with a temperature above 100F is denied access.
- Have patrons disinfect hands (gloved or ungloved) prior to entry.
- Patrons should wear a facial covering or mask.
- Limit customers to 3 per 1000 square foot.

Frequent Facility Disinfecting

- Clean with normal agents if required.
- Disinfect frequently touched areas such as handrails, elevator buttons, doorknobs, letter box, notice boards, digital displays, touch screen panels, shopping carts and baskets per each use, food conveyor belts, tables and chairs in the common areas with disinfectant at least once per shift or more frequently as needed.
- Other commonly used items / surfaces must be evaluated for each business for disinfection.

Facility Cleaning Operations (cont.)

- Assign a team of workers to carry out cleaning and disinfecting.
- Wear PPE for cleaning and disinfection. Minimum PPE is disposable gloves.
- Gloves should be discarded after each cleaning/disinfection session.
- If surfaces are dirty, they should be cleaned using a detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.

Facility Cleaning Operations (cont.)

- Disinfect floors daily by mopping or vacuuming.
- The personnel doing the disinfecting should soak cleaning cloths in disinfectant and laundry the cloth after daily use or use disposable wipes.
- Development of a cleaning/disinfection check sheet should be done.
- Notifying and issuing advisories for staff, customers, and visitors, must follow all OSHA, NIOSH, EPA, AIA, CDC, ASHRE guidance

Facility Cleaning Operations (cont.)

- Use disinfectant in all mopping operations in addition to normal agents. Mop floors daily. Do not mix incompatible cleaning materials. See additional information on cleaning products.
 - Do not mix bleach and ammonia.
 - Do not mix bleach and acids.
 - Do not use two drain cleaners together, or one right after the other.
- Use vacuums with HEPA filters. Vacuum daily.
- Ensure trash cans are always covered and cleared daily. Tie refuse contained in plastic bags properly before disposal at the trash dumpster.
- Clean up any refuse spillage immediately.
- Wash and disinfect all indoor trash receptacle and trash receptacle chambers regularly.
- Clean and disinfect all cleaning equipment immediately after use such as buckets and mops.

Parking Lots

 Determine who is responsible for parking / sidewalk cleaning, disinfecting, and frequency of cleaning.

Facility Mass Disinfection

- Disinfection of the building (floors, walls, frequently touched items)
 must be done before the daily building opening.
- This can be done a variety of ways
 - Use of room UVC disinfection systems Wavelength must be 260-285
 - Oxone disinfection systems
 - Electrostatic sprayers using hydrogen peroxide
 - Hydrogen peroxide vapor disinfection systems
 - Paint sprayer disinfection system

Restroom Facilities

- Disinfect frequently touched areas such as water taps, door/towel/toilet handles, seats and cover flaps, wash basins, doorknobs, buttons, and switches with every 8 hours. This includes Public and Staff facilities.
- Provide adequate supply of toilet paper, paper towels or hand dryers and liquid soap.
- Provide hand disinfection.

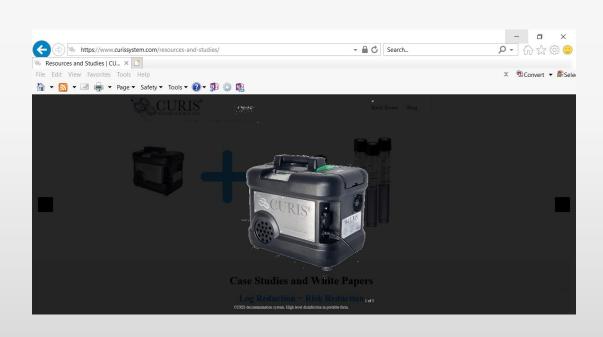
Food Hygiene – Employee Lunchroom

- Cover food properly to prevent contamination.
- Do not keep personal belongings in food preparation areas. A separate locker area should be provided for storage of staff's personal belongings.
- Do not use cracked or chipped crockery as germs can harbor in cracks.
- Use separate chopping boards, knives, and other instruments for raw and cooked foods to prevent cross contamination.
- Use clean disposable gloves when handling food.
- Store raw food or cooked/ready-to-eat food separately.

Attachments

Methods for Disinfection:

Fogging - should only be used when the area can be isolated from other areas and occupants.



• Pros:

- Allows the fog/mist to achieve maximum efficacy by maintaining an optimal filled space creating a consistent dwell-time
- Ability to treat large areas without PPE
- No worry about proper application of disinfectants

• Cons:

- Facility requirement to follow all OSHA, NIOSH, EPA, AIA, CDC, ASHRE guidance
- Movement of equipment/staff/occupants from area
 - Area must be sealed
 - Monitoring
 - Air sampling

Fogging

- Fogging requires the development of a checklist due to:
 - Covering of Life Safety Sensors All smoke detectors regardless of type must be covered, after disinfection the covers must be removed
- Covering of other sensors/cameras/antennas used to monitor the area / patent – all motion sensors, cameras, etc. must be covered and disinfected by hand if they will be damaged by the fogging process
- Sealing of the room/hallway/common area/changing room/etc. the area to be fogged must be sealed to prevent any leakage into other areas
 - Central HVAC systems that are zone controlled will need the zone being fogged switched off and to ensure there is no leakage into other areas sealing of vents may be required Follow guidance, Guidelines for Environmental Infection Control in Health-Care Facilities (2003), 3. Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Systems in Health-Care Facilities
 - https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/guidelines/environmental/background/air.html#c4a

Electrostatic Sprayer/Compressed Air Sprayer / Bottle Sprayer

Electrostatic







Compressed Air Sprayer





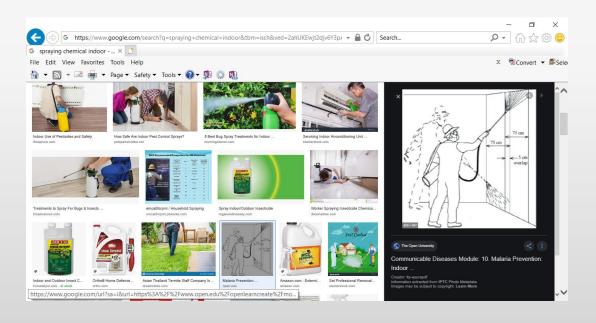
Bottle Sprayer





Methods for Disinfection:

Spraying



Pros and Cons

• Pros:

- Can use inexpensive equipment like garden sprayers and paint sprayers
- Ability to treat large areas with minimal PPE
- Electrostatic sprayer is best of the spraying technologies

• Cons:

- Electrostatic sprayers are expensive and in short supply
- May require use of PPE in enclosed areas for some spray materials
- May require movement of equipment / staff / occupants from area

Sprayers

- When using the handheld or man pack sprayer always follow the manufacturers guidelines and keep the unit level.
- Best Practice use a solution that does NOT contain a surfactant (soap).
 - See list of disinfectants in attachment
- Doing so will eliminate the need to clean the surfactant residue from the floor.

Approved Disinfectant List

- Any commercial product with EPA Registration on the Label that says disinfectant.
- Hydrogen peroxide 1%
 - Dilute household (3%) peroxide 1-part peroxide to 3-parts water
 - Dilute Pool Peroxide (27%) 1/3 cup per gallon of water
 - Food grade peroxide (30%) ¼ cup per gallon of water
- Bleach
 - household bleach solutions (5%) 5 tablespoons household bleach per gallon of water
- Hypochlorous acid (DiChlor) solution
 - We have found, that in practice, this does not leave a slippery surface when allowed to dry.
 - Both the Artemis Chem Decon and GenEon hypochlorous solutions are appropriate for carpeted areas.
- CDC Listing
 - https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/guidelines/disinfection/disinfection-methods/chemical.html
- EPA Listing
 - https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2

Approved Disinfectant List

Using Other Products

• If you can't find a product on this list to use against SARS-CoV-2, look at a different product's label to confirm it has an EPA registration number and that human coronavirus is listed as a target pathogen.

Follow the Label

- When using an EPA-registered disinfectant, follow the label directions for safe, effective use.
- Make sure to follow the contact time, which is the amount of time the surface should be visibly wet, listed in the table below.

Cleaning Product Incompatibilities

What is chlorine bleach?

• Sodium hypochlorite is the active ingredient in chlorine bleach. It is found in household bleach and many other disinfectants. Sodium hypochlorite reacts with ammonia, drain cleaners, and other acids. Many household products state that they contain bleach on the label. Pool chemicals frequently containing calcium hypochlorite or sodium hypochlorite, should not be mixed with household cleaners, and used carefully.

Where are ammonia and acids found in the home?

- Ammonia:
 - In addition to ammonia purchased as a cleaning product, ammonia may be found in the following:
 - Some glass and window cleaners
 - Urine
 - Some interior and exterior paints
- Acids:
 - Products containing acids include:
 - Vinegar
 - Some glass and window cleaners
 - Some automatic dishwasher detergents and rinses
 - Some toilet bowl cleaners
 - Some drain cleaners
 - Some lime, calcium, and rust removal products
 - Certain types of brick and concrete cleaners

Employees and Non-Patrons Check In Form

Print Your Name:	Personal Phone# (cell or home phone number)
Employer/ Affiliation:	If visitor, supplier, or subcontractor, who is your Host?
Temperature Check	Today's Date

Question Number	Questions	Response NO	Response YES
1	Have you been in close contact with, or cared for, anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 within the last 14 days?		
2	Have you traveled in any areas with high Covid-19 concentrations / hot spots within the last 14 days?		
3	Have you been in close contact with anyone who has traveled in any areas with high Covid-19 concentrations / hot spots within the last 14 days?		
4	Have you had a sudden change in your breathing pattern such as shortness of breath?		
5	Have you had a sudden change in your cough status?		
6	Have you had a sudden loss of taste?		