

Facility Cleaning and Disinfection After a Confirmed COVID-19 Case

Per CDC guidance, 9 Mar 20: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/cleaning-disinfection.html>

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Definitions:

- **Cleaning**-removes germs, dirt, and impurities from surfaces. If surfaces are dirty, they should always be cleaned using a detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.
- **Disinfecting**- kills germs on surfaces.

Gloves are only necessary for protection against the cleaning product itself. Gloves should be discarded after each cleaning. If reusable gloves are used, those gloves should be dedicated for cleaning and disinfection of surfaces for COVID-19 and should not be used for other purposes. Latex, nitrile or vinyl disposable gloves are appropriate for use with bleach or alcohol solutions. Consult the manufacturer's instructions for other cleaning and disinfection products used. Clean hands immediately after gloves are removed.

#	Task	Y	N	Time
1	If possible, close off areas used by the ill person and wait as long as practical before cleaning and disinfecting (up to 24 hours). Open outside doors and windows to increase air circulation during cleaning.			
2	Clean and disinfect areas used by the ill person, focusing on high-touch surfaces. (e.g. tables, chairs, tools, cart handles, doorknobs, light switches, handles, desks, toilets, sinks)			
3	<p>Prepare disinfection solution: diluted household bleach solutions, alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol, hydrogen peroxide, or the most common EPA-registered household disinfectants are acceptable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Diluted household bleach solutions can be used if appropriate for the surface. Follow manufacturer's instructions for application and proper ventilation. Check to ensure the product is not expired. Never mix household bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser. <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Prepare a bleach solution by mixing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 5 tablespoons (1/3rd cup) bleach per gallon of water or ▪ 4 teaspoons bleach per quart of water </div> <p>Products from the approved EPA list are also acceptable. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for use, including the time the chemical needs to remain on the surface before being wiped off. https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2</p>			
4	Dispose of waste in a lined trash bin, remove and dispose of gloves by rolling off the hand inside-out. Clean hands immediately after gloves are removed.			
5	As necessary, * clean contaminated soft (porous) surfaces such as carpets, rugs, and drapes, remove visible contamination and clean with appropriate cleaners indicated for use on these surfaces. After cleaning, launder as appropriate using the warmest possible water. Dry completely. *In general, it is not necessary to clean the entire carpet in an administrative facility just because someone has COVID. If body fluids from the infected person have contaminated the carpet, this may be a reason to clean.			
6	<p>Contaminated clothing, towels, linens and other items can go in the laundry. Normal daily cleaning operations do not require special laundering of personnel clothing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → If no gloves are used when handling dirty laundry, be sure to wash hands afterwards. → If possible, do not shake dirty laundry. This will minimize the possibility of dispersing potential virus through the air. → Launder items as appropriate in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. If possible, launder items using the warmest appropriate water setting for the items and dry items completely. → Clean and disinfect clothes hampers according to guidance above for surfaces. If possible, consider placing a bag liner that is either disposable (can be thrown away) or can be laundered. 			