

CLEANING AND DISINFECTING

General Cleaning Recommendations¹

- Ensure supplies are available for more frequent cleaning.
- The number of customers determines how often things need to be cleaned.
 - More customers = more frequent cleaning needed.
- Ensure that there is proper ventilation during and after application of the chemicals.
- Wear gloves and wash hands after use. For reusable gloves, dedicate a pair for disinfection.
- Always review and follow the manufacturer’s directions on the label when using chemicals.
- Diluted household bleach solution or alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol are effective against COVID-19.



Using Diluted Household Bleach as a Disinfectant²

- DO NOT mix bleach with any other chemicals!
- Most household bleach contains 5%–9% sodium hypochlorite. Do not use a bleach product if the percentage is not in this range or is not specified.
- Clean visibly dirty surfaces with soap and water before disinfecting.
- Prepare a diluted bleach solution by mixing:
 - 1 tablespoon of unscented bleach with 1 gallon of water for food contact surfaces
 - 1 cup of unscented bleach with 1 gallon of water for non-food contact surfaces
- Allow surface to air dry.
- A new diluted bleach solution should be prepared daily to ensure it is effective for cleaning and disinfecting.

¹ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Cleaning and Disinfecting your Facility
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html>

² Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Household Cleaning and Sanitizing
<https://www.cdc.gov/healthywater/emergency/hygiene-handwashing-diapering/household-cleaning-sanitizing.html>

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Prioritize Cleaning of High-Touch Surfaces (at least daily)

Frequently touched and commonly used surfaces

Examples include pens, counters, shopping carts, tables, equipment handles (e.g., mop/broom handles), door handles, stair rails, desks, keyboards, phones, toilets, faucets, sinks, drinking fountains, light switches.



Clean: Use soap and water to clean dirty surfaces, prior to disinfection.
Then, disinfect: apply disinfectant to surface, most of the common EPA registered household disinfectants work.

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