

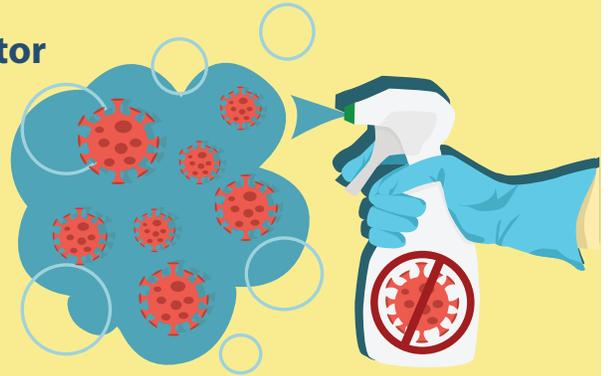


CLEAN AND DISINFECT FOR COVID-19

Cleaning and disinfecting high touch surfaces, including doorknobs, handles, countertops, elevator buttons, can help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

When cleaning...

- Wear gloves.
- Always follow instructions on the label.
- NEVER mix cleaning chemicals with one another. This may create hazardous gases.
- Prevent chemical contact with food during cleaning.



To clean soft porous materials, such as towels, clothing, bedding, soft fabric toys (i.e., stuffed animals):

1. If the item can be machine washed, machine wash loose in the washer or in a mesh bag.
2. Wash using hot water and detergent containing color-safe bleach.
3. Dry on high heat.
4. A professional cleaner may be able to help with items that cannot be machine washed.



Items too large to be machine washed (carpeting, furniture, etc.) can be steam cleaned or otherwise professionally cleaned.



Cleaning hard non-porous surfaces is a 4-step process. Hard non-porous surfaces include: stainless steel, floors, kitchen surfaces, countertops, tables, chairs, sinks, toilets, railings, light switch plates, doorknobs, metal/plastic toys, computer keyboards, remote controls, recreation equipment.

1. Clean with a general surface cleaner or soap and water to remove all visible dirt and wipe clean with a cloth or paper towel.
2. Apply an EPA-approved disinfectant. To effectively kill the virus make sure the surface stays wet with the disinfectant for at least 10 minutes before wiping with a clean towel.
3. Rinse with water and allow surface to air dry. Rinsing with water is especially important if the surface is in a food preparation area.
4. Remove gloves and place in the trash. Wash your hands after removing your gloves.



The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. Continue to practice social (physical) distancing, wear a face covering to protect others, and wash your hands often. For more information, visit www.bphc.org.