



Cleaning and Environmental Considerations

SCHOOLS: PERFORM ROUTINE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANING

- Routinely clean frequently touched surfaces (e.g., doorknobs, light switches, countertops) with the cleaners typically used. Use all cleaning products according to the directions on the label.
- Provide disposable wipes so that commonly used surfaces (e.g., keyboards, desks, remote controls) can be wiped down by students and staff before each use.

[\(CDC Guidelines\)](#)

RESTAURANTS

- Continue routine cleaning and sanitizing of food preparation surfaces in the kitchen and other food storage areas
- Routine cleaning and sanitizing of commonly touched surfaces in the dining and customer areas.
- Exclude staff experiencing fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, body aches, sore throat, headache, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, runny nose. Exclusion must continue until the individual is without fever for 24 hours without the use of fever or symptom suppressing medications.
- Facilities with buffets can provide single-use gloves along with guidance on glove usage (use once, discard) for guests/customers.

HOTELS

- Routine cleaning and sanitizing of commonly touched surfaces in customer areas.
- Follow below cleaning instructions for routine housekeeping
- In areas where ill persons are being housed in isolation, follow Interim [Guidance for Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection for U.S. Households with Suspected or Confirmed Coronavirus Disease 2019](#). This includes focusing on cleaning and disinfecting common areas where staff/others providing services may come into contact with ill persons, but reducing cleaning and disinfection of bedrooms/bathrooms used by ill persons to as needed. (CDC)
- For rooms that previously housed known cases/isolated/quarantined individuals:
 - It is recommended to close off areas used by the ill persons and wait as long as practical before beginning cleaning and disinfection to minimize potential for exposure to respiratory droplets. Open outside doors and windows to increase air circulation in the area. If possible, wait up to 24 hours before beginning cleaning and sanitizing. (CDC)
 - Clean and sanitize surfaces likely to be contaminated/ that were in close proximity to individual/frequently touched surfaces in their room

HOW TO CLEAN

Hard Surfaces:

- Wear disposable gloves when cleaning and disinfecting surfaces. 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. Clean hands immediately after gloves are removed.
- If surfaces are dirty, they should be cleaned using a detergent and water prior to disinfection.

- Sanitize using correct products A list of products with EPA-approved emerging viral pathogens claims is available at [Novel Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Fighting Products](#). Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for all cleaning and disinfection products, including instructions for contact time.
 - Or use household bleach (unexpired) diluted at 5 Tablespoons (1/3 cup) to 1 gallon water [4 teaspoons to 1 quart water]

Soft Surfaces:

- Wear disposable gloves when cleaning and disinfecting surfaces. 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. Clean hands immediately after gloves are removed.
- Do not shake dirty laundry. This will minimize the possibility of dispersing virus through the air.
- Do not hold laundry against your clothes/body.
- Remove visible contamination. [bag and trash]
- Launder or Sanitize as possible:
 - Launder items as appropriate in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Use the warmest appropriate water setting for the items and dry items completely.
 - If laundering is not possible, sanitize using correct products. A list of products with EPA-approved emerging viral pathogens claims, maintained by the CBC, is available at [Novel Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Fighting Products](#). Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for all cleaning and disinfection products, including instructions for contact time. Keep in mind bleach-based products may discolor soft surfaces.
- Clean and sanitize clothes hamper following above guidelines. If possible, use a disposable or washable bag liner.

[\(CDC Guidelines\)](#)

[\(CDPHE Guidelines\)](#)

Household:

Choose a room in your home that can be used to separate sick household members from those who are healthy. Identify a separate bathroom for the sick person to use, if possible. Plan to clean these rooms, as needed, when someone is sick. [Learn how to care for someone with COVID-19 at home.](#)

[\(CDC Guidelines\)](#)

While following this advice, if any families or individuals need food, medication or other essential supplies, they should contact Grand County Public Health at 970-725-3288.

CO HELP is Colorado's call line for COVID-19. People who have general questions about COVID-19 can call CO HELP at 303-389-1687 or 1-877-462-2911 for answers in many languages. Or email cohelpp@rmpdc.org for answers in English.

Please note that the Novel Coronavirus pandemic is a rapidly evolving situation, and all public health guidance is subject to change.

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