

CLEANING & DISINFECTING WORK AREAS

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Currently there is no documentation on the novel coronavirus being transmitted from surface to human; meaning no one has been documented on getting it from touching an item that someone who has tested positive has touched. But keeping up with a proper cleaning/disinfecting schedule is important when any virus is present.

PER the CDC's guidelines, high-touched surfaces should be cleaned and disinfected at least Once Daily (or once per shift).

Examples of areas to clean/disinfect: tables, hard backed chairs, doorknobs, light switches, handles, desks, toilets, & sinks.

COVID-19 virus is viable on the following examples of surfaces for the documented amount of time. When someone has been exposed to the virus and might have touched items in the work area, consider this when cleaning/disinfecting the work space.

- Plastics- 72 hours
- Stainless Steel- 48 hours
- Cardboard- 24 hours
- Copper- 4 hours
- Air- Detectable for 3 hour

