

CLEANING AND DISINFECTING YOUR LIVING SPACE

CHOOSING A CLEANING PRODUCT

- Some products are formulated for cleaning, others for cleaning and disinfecting and others just for disinfecting – Refer to manufacturer’s information to determine the appropriate use.
- Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for important safety information (found on manufacturer’s website).
- Use the EPA’s [List N](#) to help identify an appropriate disinfectant.
- **In order to completely disinfect, a surface must remain wet for a specific amount of time. This is referred to as the contact time** and is indicated in List N.
- Bleach products react with ammonium compounds to form a poisonous gas.



CLEANING AND DISINFECTING SURFACES

- Most cleaning products do not require gloves or other personal protective equipment but always check the manufacturer’s information for recommendations.
- **NEVER** mix two different cleaning products!
- **Clean then Disinfect**
 - **Use paper towels, especially when disinfecting.**
 - Microfiber cloths can transfer virus to other surfaces in your room.
 - Clean surfaces and objects that are visibly soiled first.
 - If surfaces are dirty to sight or touch, they should be cleaned using a detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.

Spray cleaner	Wipes
for hard, non-porous surfaces	for use with electronics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spray the surface, leave wet for indicated contact time to disinfect. • Allow to air dry or wipe area dry with paper towels. • Dispose of paper towels in trash. • Wash hands with soap and water. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use alcohol-based wipes or sprays containing at least 70% alcohol which may reduce the risk of damage to sensitive machine components • Pull wipe from container • Wipe area, leave wet for indicated contact time if possible. • Allow to air dry. • Don’t let liquids pool on electronics. • Dispose of wipe in trash. • Wash hands with soap and water.

LAUNDRY - For clothing, towels, linens and other items

- **Do not shake** dirty laundry.
- Launder items according to the manufacturer’s instructions. Use the warmest appropriate water setting and dry items completely.
- Clean and **disinfect clothes hampers** according to guidance above for surfaces.
- When assisting people who are sick:
 - **Wear disposable gloves** when handling dirty laundry from a person who is sick.
 - Dirty laundry from a person who is sick can be washed with other people’s items.
 - Remove gloves, dispose of and wash hands right away.