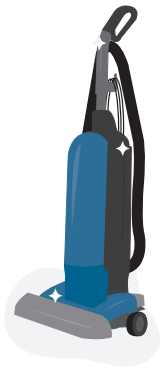


# CLEANING AND DISINFECTING EQUIPMENT IN WORKPLACE ENVIRONMENTS



To keep commercial cleaning equipment free from the novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) and avoid cross contamination, facility managers and staff should clean and disinfect all equipment after each use.

Maintain equipment by regularly cleaning and disinfecting all surfaces, including:



### Tanks

After collection tanks in floor care machines become full, properly dispose of and/or treat (if applicable) the contents and clean out the tank.

### Filters

Clean and replace vacuum filters as needed. Use vacuums with high efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters to trap the virus. While removing and disposing of the dirty vacuum filter, use caution in all your handling practices.

### Hoses

Wipe down the outer surface of all hosing and clean the inside of hoses.

### Brushes

Remove any brushes from the machine, clean and disinfect brushes, and allow to dry.

### Machine Parts and Cords

Clean and disinfect all parts of cleaning equipment that come in direct contact with surfaces or floors, including cords.



Always consult the manufacturer for machine cleaning recommendations and follow best practices:



### Use Caution when Cleaning Electrical Equipment

Never use high-pressure liquid sprays on electrical equipment or soak this type of equipment in liquids.



### Treat Waste with Caution

Waste generated during the cleaning process may be considered hazardous. Dispose of it based on local hazardous waste regulations.



### Final Touches

After each use, clean and disinfect all high-touch surfaces on equipment (handles, grips, buttons, etc.) and make sure to follow the recommended contact time for the disinfectant product used.

Cleaning and disinfecting machines thoroughly is equally as important as keeping workers safe and healthy.



### 72 hours

Ideally, the amount of time that should pass before employees clean an area that has been exposed to coronavirus. If the area is also disinfected, no wait time is needed.



### PPE

Provide personal protective equipment (PPE) to all cleaning staff, including but not limited to gloves, face masks, eye protection, and gowns.



### 20 seconds

The amount of time workers should wash their hands with soap and water after touching a surface or cleaning machine.

**REMEMBER! DON'T TOUCH YOUR EYES, NOSE, AND MOUTH!**

The Global Biorisk Advisory Council (GBAC), a Division of ISSA, the Worldwide Cleaning Industry Association, provides training, guidance, accreditation, certification, crisis management assistance and leadership to help organizations prepare, respond, and recover from infectious disease outbreaks and biohazard situations. Its GBAC STAR™ accreditation program is the cleaning industry's only outbreak prevention, response, and recovery accreditation for facilities of all sizes and types. For more information, visit [www.gbac.org](http://www.gbac.org).

**GBAC**<sup>®</sup>  
GLOBAL BIORISK ADVISORY COUNCIL  
A Division of ISSA

**ISSA**<sup>®</sup>  
Advancing Clean. Driving Innovation.