



Keeping our Facilities Safe for Patrons and Members:

Answering Your Questions about Cleaning and Disinfecting Practices At the Mansfield Community Center

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Are the disinfectant products you use effective against SARS-CoV-2?

A.

Yes. The product used on all hard and high-touch surfaces throughout the Center is registered on the [EPA's List N Disinfectants](#). The EPA expects all products on List N to kill SARS-CoV-2; the specific coronavirus that causes COVID-19. Products on List N are classified as such by the EPA because they demonstrate efficacy against the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19), demonstrate efficacy against a pathogen that is harder to kill than SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19), or demonstrate efficacy against a different human coronavirus similar to SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19). The product located in the blue-topped wipe buckets is the same as that utilized by staff during all intensified cleaning schedules.

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What else does this product disinfect against?

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The product the Center uses is a hard surface cleaner disinfectant with a broad claim set. It provides efficacy against a wide array of pathogens, with fast contact times. A few examples are HIV-1, Influenza Type A / Hong Kong, Norovirus, and a broad spectrum of bacterial, viral and fungal pathogens.

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How often is each area of the Center cleaned and disinfected?

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Intensified cleanings occur at regular intervals in each area of the Center, in addition to a cleaning and disinfecting procedure during periods the facility is closed.

During cleaning and disinfecting while the facility is closed, each area of the Center undergoes a spray application of the approved product above on all high-touch surfaces, and also includes floor cleanings. On an ongoing basis throughout the day, area team members are assigned specific additional cleaning tasks to meet the intensified cleaning standards set forth the by the State. The Center has always taken pride in a high standard of cleaning and cleanliness. Examples of intensified cleaning include the wipe-



down of all pool equipment and member-use bins between each user, regular wipedown of all surface areas, counters, and handles in the reception/lobby area, wipedown of all fitness equipment after use, and regular cleaning of restrooms.



Are you using electrostatic sprayer or fogging machine?



Electrostatic spraying and fogging was explored prior to the Center reopening in June of 2020. Currently the Center utilizes a backpack sprayer which delivers a product mist as part of our cleaning procedures. This is not an electrostatic sprayer. Because the coronavirus is so small, dust and other surface debris act as a shield to disinfectants that are simply sprayed on a surface, making fogging machines less effective. Proper cleaning of surfaces first is necessary for true disinfecting, which is why staff regularly utilizes cleaning cloths with the spray solution throughout the day in addition to spraying. Additionally, our backpack sprayer allows for a more thorough and complete surface contact of the disinfecting product.



What can members and guests do to help maintain a clean environment at the Community Center?



Members and Guests should continue to follow all state, local and CDC health guidelines. This includes completing self-checks for COVID symptoms or contact (and staying home accordingly), wearing masks appropriately (with proper fit, covering the nose and mouth), thoroughly washing hands on regular basis (or using hand sanitizer when soap and water is not available), and maintaining social distancing. Members and guests should also wipe down all equipment and surfaces thoroughly using the provided wipes before and after use, and spray down showers and lockers with provided spray before and after use.

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