

Why Surface Disinfection Remains Vital for Occupant Health



As we learn more about SARS-CoV-2 (the pathogen that causes the novel coronavirus disease), one thing has become obvious: mitigating all possible paths of transmission remains vital for protecting the health of our facilities' occupants. While much focus has been placed on the recently confirmed aerosol transmission of the virus, the dangers of surface transmission cannot be dismissed. SARS-CoV-2 cells may remain viable for hours to days on surfaces made from a variety of materials. The CDC stands firm that "surface disinfection is a best practice measure for prevention of COVID-19 and other viral respiratory illnesses in households and community settings¹".



How Long COVID-19 Can Survive on Various Surfaces²



Aluminum
2-8 hours



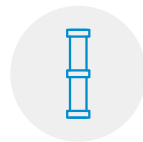
Plastic
1-6 days



Ceramic
5 days



Glass
5 days



PVC
5 days



Rubber
5 days



Steel
5 days

A Complete Disease Risk Mitigation Game Plan Includes...



High-touch point
disinfection



HVAC and air
quality protocols



Social
distancing



Mask
wearing



Hand
hygiene

Complete your facility's disease mitigation game plan today.

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