

Cleaning Procedure for Howard Medical Carts



Approved Disinfectants

The following disinfectants have been determined to be safe to use on Howard Medical cart products. These disinfectants are recommended by the CDC and EPA for use against SARS-CoV-2, the cause of COVID-19.

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| ✓ Diluted Bleach Solution ¹ | ✓ Diversey Oxivir 1 ² |
| ✓ PDI Sani-Cloth Bleach Wipes | ✓ Diversey Oxivir 1 Wipes ² |
| ✓ Clorox Bleach Germicidal Wipes | ✓ Metrex CaviWipes Bleach |
| ✓ Clorox Bleach Germicidal Cleaner | ✓ Metrex CaviCide Bleach |
| ✓ Diversey Oxivir TB ² | |

¹ The CDC recommends a solution of 2.5 fluid ounces of bleach per gallon of water.

² Not compatible with HI-Core surfaces.

Reference

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/cleaning-disinfection.html>
- <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>

Cleaning

Prior to disinfecting cart surfaces, loose debris and residues should be removed. Clean surfaces using warm water, as described below:

- **Hard external surfaces** — clean loose debris and soil with a damp cloth or towel.
- **Rubber (elastomeric) parts** — clean loose debris and soil with a damp cloth or towel.
- **E-Series Control Panel (Keypad)** — clean loose debris and soil with a damp cloth or towel.
- **X-Series Touchscreen** — wipe off with a dry, lint-free cloth.

Disinfection

Exterior surfaces of Howard Medical carts, especially common touch points, should be disinfected on a regular basis. Always follow the directions on the label of the disinfectant.

- For disinfection and sanitization of these surfaces, you should use one of the listed approved disinfectants.
- If a liquid solution is used for disinfection (as opposed to saturated wipes), apply the solution to the applicator cloth or towel before wiping the surface. Do not apply liquid solution directly to any cart surfaces (by pouring, spraying, etc.).