

Help Prevent the Spread of Norovirus "Stomach Bug"

Supplies

- **Businesses** should be prepared for sickness events and have supplies available:
 - an absorbent agent
 - a disinfectant/virucide effective against norovirus
 - paper towels
 - red biohazard bags
 - black garbage bags
 - spray bottles
- For **guests** provide:
 - plenty of tissues
 - sickness/vomit bags
 - trash bags
- For **staff**, provide personal protective equipment (PPE) for cleanup:
 - a face shield
 - gloves
 - hair and shoe covers
 - barrier gown

Clean Up

- Cover the bodily fluids with towels, plastic, or another suitable material to keep it contained.
- Designated personnel who perform cleaning of bodily fluids should be properly trained on an annual basis. Spray the area
- generously with disinfectant/virucide.
- Use paper towels, disposable cloths, and/or an absorbent agent to soak up excess liquid.
- Allow appropriate kill time for disinfectant, which will be listed on the manufacturers label.
- Place solid residue in a red biohazard bag.
- Spray with the disinfectant/virucide again and allow to air dry.
- DO NOT VACUUM the incident area.
- Remove personal protective equipment and dispose in biohazard bag.
- Place the biohazard bag in a black garbage bag and dispose of normally.

Protect

- Keep people at least 25 feet away from the area being cleaned.
- Avoid direct contact with bodily fluids by wearing protective clothing.

**Handwashing
is the number one
way to prevent infectious
diseases.**

- Wash hands using soap and warm water, and scrub vigorously for 20 seconds after dealing with a sickness incident.
- Wash hands after using the restroom, coughing, or sneezing,
- Dry hands with a paper towel and use the towel to turn off the faucet and open the door knob.

**Bodily fluids can be
highly contagious.
Take special
precautions to
protect others from
contamination.**