Guide on How to Clean & Disinfect

Cleaning:

This helps to remove dirt and impurities, including microorganisms. Cleaning alone does not kill microorganisms, but does partially reduce their numbers. This helps to reduce the spread of infection.

Disinfecting:

Disinfecting surfaces is achieved using chemicals to kill the microorganism. This method further reduces the spread of the microorganism and helps to reduce the spread of infection.

Summary table

Materials	Suggested cleaners	Suggested disinfectants	Cleaning method	To avoid
Finished				
Melamine (TFL) and Laminate (HPL) Boards	Mild soap and water.	All purpose cleaners such as Lysol, Virex II 256, Purell, Virox (peroxide). Quaternary ammonium, ethanol, hydrogen peroxide.	It is important not to let the solvent work for too long. Rinse with clear water and dry the surface quickly.	Sodium hypochlorite and bleach / chlorine solution.
Anodized Aluminum	Mild soap and water.	To be avoided.	clear water and then dry the surface with a chamois (shammy).	Alkaline cleaners, aggressive acids, abrasive substances, trisodium phosphate, phosphoric acid, hydrochloric acid, hydrochloric acid, fluorescent or similar compounds.
Painted Metal (enamel)	Mild soap and water.	Bleach 0.5% concentration, clean for at least 1 minute. Hydrogen peroxide concentration of 0.5%, clean for at least 1 minute. 70% alcohol (rubbing, ethanol or isopropyl alcohol) for at least 30 seconds. Disinfectant wipes.	Clean, rinse with clear water and wipe the surface.	Abrasive substances, micro-abrasive sponges, steel wool, acid cleaners, alkaline cleaners.
Acrylic	Mild soap and water.		Clean, rinse with clear water and wipe the surface.	Ammonia, alcohol, acetone, carbon, tetrachloride.
Chrome, Stainless Steel, Nickel	Mild soap and water.	Glass cleaners such as Windex.	Clean, rinse with clear water and wipe the surface.	Abrasive substances, micro-abrasive sponges, steel wool, acid cleaners, alkaline cleaners.
Wood	Mild soap and water.		Clean, rinse with clear water and wipe the surface.	Ammonia.
Plastic	Mild soap and water.	Lysol disinfectant wipes (without bleach).	Clean, rinse with clear water and wipe the surface.	Bleach / chlorine solution.
Glass	A mixture of one part vinegar to 10 parts water.	Glass cleaner such as Windex, Isopropyl alcohol or acetone.	Clean with a clean cloth or paper towel.	Abrasive products and materials.

Fabrics						
Fabrics	Mild soap and water.	Refer to supplier's instructions.	Using a vacuum cleaner and a clean brush.	Bleach / chlorine solution.		
Felt	Mild soap and water.	Chemical stain remover (dry cleaning). Refer to supplier's instructions.	Using a vacuum cleaner and a clean brush.	Bleach / chlorine solution.		
Vinyl	Mild soap and water.	Mixture of 1:10 ratio bleach and water. Refer to supplier's instructions.	Clean, rinse with clear water and wipe the surface.	Alcohol and ammonia.		
Polyurethane	Mild soap and water.	Mixture of 1:10 ratio bleach and water. Virox (peroxide). Refer to supplier's instructions.	Spray on the cloth and let stand for a few minutes. Rinse with clear water and wipe the surface.			
PET	Mild soap and water.	Lysol spray – do not over soak	Use vacuum cleaner and a spray on lint free cloth.	Ketones and petroleum products		