

Child Care Centre Cleaning and Disinfecting Schedule

School Age Rooms

Important:

- Frequencies are minimum requirements during non-outbreak periods and must be increased as necessary.
- Sufficient staff supervision is required to ensure contaminated items are removed immediately and not shared.

PLAY / SLEEP AREAS	WHAT TO DO	After Each Use	Daily	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	Monthly
Contaminated toys	Clean & disinfect	X				
Water play toys / table	Clean & disinfect	X				
Floors	Dry sweep & wet mop		X			
Carpets / area rugs	Vacuum (steam clean 2x / year)		X			
Floors beneath area rugs	Sweep			X		
Vinyl mats	Clean & disinfect			X		
Fabric upholstered furniture	Vacuum (steam clean 2x / year)			X		
Linen / bedding / slip covers	Launder			X		
Play-dough / other moist sensory products with < 30% salt	Discard			X		
Sensory play items	Discard / Clean & disinfect			X		
Sensory play table	Clean & disinfect			X		X (sand table)
Natural items - e.g., bird's nest, stones	Discard / Clean & disinfect			X		
Absorbent materials - e.g., dress-up clothes, plush toys, puzzles, cardboard	Launder / Clean & disinfect / Discard			X		
Toys (includes large toys) / shelving	Clean & disinfect			X	X half-day or < 3x / week	
Cots	Clean & disinfect	X (if not labelled)		X		
Sensory play – sand	Discard					X

WASHROOMS	WHAT TO DO	After Each Use	Daily	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	Monthly
Cloth towels	Launder	X				
Combs & brushes (shared)	Clean & disinfect	X				
Potty chairs	Clean & disinfect	X				
Hand wash sinks / toilets / floors	Clean & disinfect		X			
Garbage containers	Empty		X			
Garbage containers	Clean & disinfect			X		

Remember:

- Cleaning and disinfecting are 2 separate steps! Refer to [Cleaning and Disinfection in CCCs](#) fact sheet.
- During an outbreak, contact the Health Department for further recommendations.



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