## **SAFE JOB PROCEDURE**

#### **COVID-19 PROCEDURES**

#### **Purpose**

To provide direction on maintaining good hygiene, cleaning procedures and illness management for all work sites (offices included) in order to minimize the impact of the COVID-19 virus. This procedure will encompass the following:

- Hand washing/sanitizing
- Workplace Sanitation
- Illness Identification
- Isolation Procedures

#### **Hand Washing/Sanitizing**

#### Wash your hands:

- Before, during, and after preparing food
- Before eating food
- **Before** and **after** treating a cut or wound
- After touching possibly contaminated public surfaces
- **After** using the toilet
- After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- After touching garbage

#### Hand Washing Procedure:

- 1. **Wet** your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold), turn off the tap, and apply soap.
- 2. **Lather** your hands by rubbing them together with the soap. Lather the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your nails.
- 3. **Scrub** your hands for at least 20 seconds. Need a timer? Hum the "Happy Birthday" song from beginning to end twice.
- 4. **Rinse** your hands well under clean, running water.
- 5. **Dry** your hands using a clean towel or air dry them.

If soap and water are not readily available, you can use an alcohol-based hand

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sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. How to apply hand sanitizer:

- Apply the gel product to the palm of one hand (read the label to learn the correct amount).
- Rub your hands together.
- Rub the gel over all the surfaces of your hands and fingers until your hands are dry. This should take around 20 seconds

### **Workplace Sanitation**

Wiping down high traffic areas will reduce the spread of viruses in areas which come into contact with various people throughout the day. The following areas require **daily** cleaning:

- Desks
- Keyboards
- Phones
- Door handles
- Entrance doors
- Shared kitchens and bathrooms
- Light switches
- Vehicle steering wheels
- Remote controls

Follow the appropriate steps to ensure proper sanitization:

- 1. Select appropriate cleaning product.
- 2. Review product Safety Data Sheet prior to use.
- 3. Spray area to be cleaned and let sit for 5 minutes.
- 4. Wipe area with disposable cloth.
- 5. Dispose of cloth in garbage.
- 6. Wash/sanitize hands thoroughly.

#### **Identification Procedure**

In order to minimize the risk of transmitting the virus to other in the workplace it is important to watch for the symptoms of COVID-19 in yourself and others. Symptoms for COVID-19 are similar to those for influenza or other respiratory illnesses. The most common symptoms include:

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- Fever
- Cough
- Extreme tiredness
- Difficulty breathing

#### **Isolation Procedure**

If you or another worker show symptoms of COVID-19 you must immediately report it to your supervisor and follow the Isolation Procedure:

#### Worker Procedure:

- 1. Stop all work.
- 2. Distance yourself from others or other worker showing symptoms.
- 3. Report to your supervisor.

## Supervisor Procedure:

- 1. Move potentially infectious person away from other workers, customers and/or visitors.
- 2. Isolate in area with closeable doors.
- 3. Ask individual to wear a mask (if available and tolerable).
- 4. Restrict personnel from entering isolation area.
- 5. Protect workers in close contact with sick person who have had prolonged/repeated contact.
- 6. Report to management for next steps.
- 7. Participate in Incident Investigation and documentation.

#### *In the event of a confirmed case:*

- 1. Stop work. All work site staff will be required to return home and self-isolate immediately.
- 2. Inform all involved parties of confirmed case. This includes anyone that was on site in the past 14 days.
- 3. Any impacted individuals will be required to self-isolate for 14 days.

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- 4. Work site will be shut down for 72 hours (minimum).
- 5. After 72 hours (minimum), all hard surfaces at work site must be disinfected.
- 6. Once disinfection is completed, re-start will be permitted with substitute crews, if possible.