How to complete hourly toilet checks

Cloth	Green
PPE	• Rubber gloves * • Disposable plastic aprons * • Disposable gloves *
Chemicals	• Sanitiser * • Heavy duty toilet cleaner * • Glass cleaner * • Air freshener * • Spill powder • Citrus degreaser • Toss blocks • Graffiti remover • Odour eliminator
Reference	 Safety policies COSHH manual Risk assessment manual A4 handwash poster SOP B0007 - Duty manager pre-opening toilet checks SOP B0012 - Disabled access and facilities SOP B0036 - Use and cleaning of a 'Changing Places' facility SOP B0063 - Use of vacuum cleaners SOP 0F0002 - Disposable cloths SOP 0F0003 - Dealing with a spillage SOP 0F0031 - Waste management
Equipment	 Toilet cleaning caddy (fully stocked with all items marked with * in the equipment, chemicals and PPE sections). A list of expected contents can be found on the toilet caddy sticker - POS code 'toiletcadstk'. Green cloth * Blue roll * Spare soap for dispensers * Key to access soap dispensers * Key to access toilet roll holders * Squeegee * These items must also be available: Clean toilet brush Radar key Spare toilet rolls for the dispenser Sink plunger Yellow hazard warning sign (Wet Floor or Cleaning in Progress) A dust pan and brush A green mop and bucket Bin bags Vacuum cleaner
▶ VideoSOP	To be used together with this written SOP. Tap here to play

Step



- The duty manager must allocate employees on the daily planner to complete toilet checks a minimum of every hour.
- Employees must be aware to check the daily planner to confirm the time they have been allocated.
- Employees must wear rubber gloves and a plastic disposable apron when completing cleaning tasks.

Step 2



- Male, female, access toilets and changing places facility (where provided) must be checked as a minimum every hour.
- If possible, a male member of the team should complete the gents toilet check and a female member of the team should complete the ladies toilet check.
 Either can check the access toilet and changing places facility.
- When completing the toilet checks, a fully stocked toilet cleaning caddy must be used.

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Step 3



Clean the following, as required, using a green cloth and sanitiser:

The following must be checked hourly, and cleaned as required:

- Sinks, surfaces and taps. Where sinks are recessed into the vanity top, use the squeegee to move any water from the vanity top into the sinks.

 • Soap dispensers and toilet roll holders.
- Hand contact points, including door handles, push pads, locks and flush buttons or handles.
- Hand rails (in access toilet and changing places facility).
- Baby change unit.



Clean the following, as required, using glass cleaner and blue roll:

- Mirrors.
- · Hand dryers.
- All chrome.
- POS poster cabinets.
- Toilet check sheet frame.
- External sections of any machines.



Where necessary:

- Using a toilet brush and toilet cleaner, clean the toilet bowl and flush the toilet.
- Spray the toilet seat and lid with sanitiser and then wipe clean with toilet roll. Dispose of the toilet roll in the toilet and then flush it.
- Use a green cloth and sanitiser to clean the urinals. Dispose of this cloth in a general waste bin immediately after use.

Step 4



Check nappy bins:

- Are in the correct location with a yellow bin bag in place.
- Are not overflowing.
- Are clean and with the lid closed.



Check sanitary bins:

- Are in the correct location one per cubicle in the ladies toilets, and one in a cubicle in the gents toilets. The relevant cubicle in the gents must have a male incontinence sticker (POS code - incontstickerA5) displayed on the door.
- Are not overflowing.
- Are clean and with the lid closed.
- Report issues to the duty manager.



Check general waste bins:

- Are not overflowing.
- Empty as required. Refer to SOP 0F0031 Waste management.
- A bin bag must be in place in all general waste bins.

Step 5



- Remove all litter and debris from the floor using a dust pan and brush.
- If a spillage is noted, place a 'Cleaning in Progress' or 'Wet Floor' hazard warning sign in the area. Mop and dry. Once the area is dry, remove the hazard warning sign.
- Pay particular attention to the floor beneath the urinals and hand dryers. Failure to promptly clean up spillages in this area may lead to staining of the floor.
- Check walls and doors are clean. Use graffiti remover to remove stubborn marks and graffiti.



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Check the following:

- Toilet roll is accessible when fitted into the holder.
- Soap dispensers are working.
- Hand dryers are working.
- Flushers, locks and coat hooks are in place and working.
- Sinks and toilets are not blocked.
- The ventilation is working.
- All lights are working.



- · Restock soap and toilet roll as required.
- If required, spray air freshener upwards into the corners of the room maximum 2 sprays.

Step 7



- The toilet check sheet must be signed and the time recorded once company standards are achieved.
- Toilet check sheets must never be signed in advance of the check being completed.
- Missed toilet checks must never be back filled on the toilet check sheet.

Step 8



Report any of the following immediately to the duty manager:

- Cleaning chemicals are low or have run out.
- Cleaning equipment is not in good condition.
- Ventilation not working.
- · Lighting not working.
- Maintenance issues.
- Services or water supply issues.
- Cleaning issues that cannot be rectified.
- Missing toilet check sheets or POS.
- Any cubicles, urinals or toilets that are out of order.
- Store the fully stocked cleaning caddy and supplies in an area accessible to employees only.
- Ensure cleaning cupboards and void areas are kept locked when not in use.
- All reported issues relating to standards in the toilets must be dealt with immediately.
- If issues within a cubicle cannot be rectified, close the specific cubicle off and display an 'out of order' sign.
- Only change light bulbs when safe to do so.
- Employees completing toilet checks must wash hands thoroughly before leaving the toilets.
- Maintenance issues must be reported via the property maintenance system.
- If bodily fluids are found in the toilets, use spill powder. Refer to SOP OF0003 -Dealing with a spillage.
- If nappy bins or sanitary bins are overflowing, do not attempt to remove the spillage. Lock off the cubicle and report it to the duty manager.
- The duty manager must place a call out with the sanitary waste contractor. Review the frequency of the sanitary waste collection service.