According to the CDC, frequently cleaning and disinfecting surfaces is an effective way to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and can be done quickly through basic methods with routine products. These guidelines apply to all surfaces within your laundry room as well as other commonly touched surfaces in your community such as tables, door knobs, light switches, toilets, faucets and sinks.

**Clean and Disinfect Your Laundry Room to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19**

- **Wear disposable gloves when cleaning and disinfecting surfaces.** Gloves should be discarded after each cleaning. If reusable gloves are used, those gloves should be dedicated for cleaning and disinfection of surfaces for COVID-19 and should not be used for other purposes. Consult the manufacturer’s instructions for cleaning and disinfection products used. Clean hands immediately after gloves are removed.

- If surfaces are dirty, they should be cleaned using a detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.

- **For disinfection, diluted household bleach solutions, alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol, and most common EPA-registered household disinfectants should be effective.** Diluted household bleach solutions can be used if appropriate for the surface. Follow manufacturer’s instructions for application and proper ventilation. Check to ensure the product is not past its expiration date. Never mix household bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser. [Click Here](#) for a list of disinfectants that meet the EPA’s criteria for use against the COVID-19 virus.

- For soft (porous) surfaces such as carpeted floor, rugs, and drapes, remove visible contamination if present and clean with appropriate cleaners indicated for use on these surfaces.

- **After cleaning:** Launder items as appropriate in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. If possible, launder items using the warmest appropriate water setting for the items and dry items completely.

*Source: Center for Disease Control (CDC)*