



Officer / Personnel Exposure Plan

Procedures for Possible or Confirmed COVID-19 Exposure

1. If officers are still on scene, they will remain on scene, if safe to do so, and immediately notify their supervisor who will contact communications.

Communications will send out a command notification and notify appropriate personnel.

Officers will be contacted by the DPD medical officer on call and the duty commander.

2. If officers are at a substation, they should remain at the station and isolated to a single area. The officers will immediately notify their supervisor follow the communications procedures above. The station will remain open and operable.

3. If it is determined that a station requires disinfection, current contracts with third party vendors will be utilized.

4. If personnel are at home when they become aware that they may have been exposed while on duty, they should remain home and immediately notify communications via telephone.

Communications will notify the appropriate personnel and the medical officer on call will contact the officer.

Further actions will be coordinated with DCHHS.

5. Vehicle decontamination procedures are in place.

COVID-19 EXPOSURE RISK DEFINITIONS



High Risk

Direct exchange of secretions to mucus membranes from laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 infection (e.g. cough into face with no PPE)



Medium Risk

Close contact with a person with symptomatic laboratory-confirmed COVID-19



Low Risk

Being seated in a squad car with a partner who is symptomatic and has a laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 infection.



No Identifiable Risk

Interactions with a person with symptomatic laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 infection that do not meet any of the high-, medium- or low-risk conditions above, such as walking by the person or being briefly in the same room



Close Contact

Prolonged contact within 6 feet and for more than 1-2 minutes with a confirmed COVID-19 patient.



Prolonged contact within 6 feet and for more than 1-2 minutes with a symptomatic patient (presenting with fever and respiratory complaints) who has traveled to an affected region within the last 14 days.



DISINFECTING PROCEDURES FOR VEHICLES

THE FACILITY SUPERVISOR IS TO ENSURE THAT THESE PROCEDURES ARE CARRIED OUT



Gloves will be worn while using disinfecting agents during routine cleaning procedures. In addition, a gown, mask, and eye protection will be worn for advanced cleaning involving potentially infectious organisms, or any time a member deems advanced cleaning to be necessary.



Utilize only department approved germicidal cleaners.

- a. Bleach is NOT recommended
- b. Hydrogen Peroxide should only be used to identify if a substance is blood.



Disinfect all interior surfaces and equipment. Follow equipment cleaning instructions.

- a. Step 1: Use personal protective equipment
- b. Step 2: Spray germicidal disinfectant on area
- c. Step 3: Let cleaner penetrate for:
 - Bloodborne Pathogens – 11 minutes
 - Non-Bloodborne Pathogens – 5 minutes
- d. Step 4: Wipe sprayed area with damp paper towel, cloth, or wipes.

An aerosol disinfectant, such as Lysol, may be used as a final spray down of the entire area but not to be used in place of the germicidal detergent.



Electronic equipment should be cleaned by spraying disinfectant onto a paper towel and wiping it down.

GENERAL GUIDELINES:

For LOW RISK and NO RISK exposures, no testing is indicated, and the officer will be released to full duty and placed back in service immediately. Officers will be encouraged to monitor temperatures and symptoms for two weeks at home.

For MEDIUM and HIGH risk exposures, officers will be directed what actions to take and where they should report.