



Statement of minimum protection for Public Toilet Cleaning

Existing public toilet cleaning specifications and standard operating procedures have readily applicable and high standards for PPE, based on a full biohazard specification. This is felt to be immediately useful. Obviously, medical advice prevails, and this statement should be considered for continuous improvement.

However, a review of this generally accepted practice with Local Government contractors as at 27 March 2020 to achieve a consistent level of minimum compliance has led to this summary as a benchmark. In respect to biohazards, this PPE list and the methodologies used in conjunction caters for planned risks including contaminated sharps, presence of life-threatening disease, and this activity already concerns most councils' 'front line' for biohazard work. Further guidelines on safely removing and disposing of protective equipment without contamination should also be read, as well as procedural standard operating procedures for safe cleaning behaviours.

Summary of minimum protection:

1. P2 grade mask
2. Disposal overalls
3. Thick latex gloves-Single use of glove set per toilet is required, 'Bastion' type glove favoured. Staff are to be 'double gloved' to ensure two-layered protection for cleaning, 'Blue' glove type preferred
4. Steel cap boots
5. Prior to leaving each toilet block building following the completion of cleaning duties, beside the vehicle of travel, a sanitiser and disinfecting wash procedure and PPE cleaning (and minimal disposal standard per toilet block for gloves) for after staff member, each cleaning operation performed for each toilet block, with a dedicated on-vehicle cleansing station for this purpose
6. Double anti-viral treatments: (Already periodically performed-step these up during Level-4 for each toilet block open)
 - a. Anti-viral sprays as an Aerosol, to be applied aially and onto handles/ any touchable areas AFTER cleaning finished, for each toilet block interior prior to vacating the building.
 - b. Anti-viral on all other surfaces via a spray bottle, using 'Biozone' and 'Virex' mixed.