



## Cleaning & Sanitizing Procedures

### **Procedure for Cleaning and Disinfecting**

“Wipe-Twice” for high touch surfaces- this procedure will be used to clean then disinfect.

1. Clean the surface by wiping the surface thoroughly to remove any dirt or other contamination, with hot and soapy water.
2. Disinfect by spraying the surface with bleach solution: ½ teaspoon of bleach into 1 litre of water. Test strips are available to ensure the bleach solution remains at the correct concentration.
3. Air dry.

Dishwasher can be used for toys, using the washing and sanitizer mode (heat dry if possible).

Hand Washing for toys that can not be put in the dishwasher, submerged into water with bleach solution, as outlined in the Alberta Health Services Health & Safety Guide for Operators of Child Care Facilities guidelines. Air dry.

Larger items that can not be cleaned/sanitized in the dishwasher or by hand, should follow the wipe twice procedure.

### **Approved Cleaners and Disinfectants**

Ridge kids Playcare uses general household cleaning products for general cleaning (dish liquid, bathroom cleaners, general purpose cleaners, Mr. Clean, etc.) for wiping and mopping. A bleach solution (per AHS guidelines), with a concentration of 1-part bleach and 9-part water is used as disinfectant for all surfaces. Lysol wipes are also available for quick clean up when needed.

### **Cleaning Cloths**

Ridge Kids Playcare uses disposable cloths for cleaning, which are disposed of as used. Washable cloths for wiping surfaces after messy activities are available for use. Separate cleaning cloths will be used for food surfaces and messy activities. Cleaning clothes will be washed after one use, the same cloth will not be used multiple times or on multiple surfaces.



### **High Touch Surfaces and Area that Receive Enhanced Cleaning and Disinfecting daily**

The following areas receive enhanced cleaning and disinfection either after a group leaves a play area, minimally every four (4) hours, when visibly dirty or after contact with a respiratory fluid.

- Tabletops
- Light switches
- Knobs/ handles
- Doorbell
- Sink/ taps
- Paper dispensers
- Toilet surfaces
- Electronics (i.e two-way radios, cell phones, computers, keyboards, etc.)
- Desktops
- Counter tops
- Gates
- Any other frequently touched surface.