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Updated Influenza and Coronavirus Cleaning Contingency

Please share this information with Plant and District leadership, Processing Operations, Maintenance Operations, Retail and Delivery, and other personnel as needed.

On February 3, 2020, [MMO-031-20](#), *Influenza and Coronavirus Cleaning Contingency*, was published to provide Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) compliant guidance for cleaning and disinfecting during the coronavirus pandemic.

In July 2020, PortionPac Germicidal Green 232 Cleaner/Disinfectant replaced PortionPac ScrubPac 102N for cleaning and disinfecting fomites in all common areas except for lunch/swing rooms. Bioesque Disinfectant was adopted for cleaning and disinfecting lunch/swing rooms. These changes to the disinfecting and cleaning chemicals ensure that COVID-19 disinfection is completed during the normal cleaning tasks according to [MS-47 TL-5](#), *Facility Cleaning*. Additional cleaning tasks set forth in MMO-031-20 are unnecessary because MS-47 TL-5 cleaning tasks comply with CDC recommendations, as long as the PortionPac Germicidal Green 232 Cleaner/Disinfectant and Bioesque chemicals are being utilized.

NOTE

A fomite is an inanimate object capable of transmitting an infectious agent from person-to-person. Examples include, but are not limited to, hard surfaces, phones, handrails, door knobs.

- The proper CTC procedure for wiping fomites is to keep the cloth traveling in one direction to capture all dust, dirt, germs, and debris on the surface. Wiping in multiple directions spreads dust, dirt, germs, and debris across the surface.
- Time spent by postal custodians cleaning after a **CONFIRMED POSITIVE COVID-19 INFECTION** can be claimed on miscellaneous work order 97 in Reg X97. Ensure the miscellaneous work order tracking spreadsheet is documented correctly.
- Any MS-47 TL-3 or TL-5 CTC facilities not using the PortionPac Green 232/Bioesque chemicals MUST continue to follow MMO-031-20.
- **On January 22, 2022, all local work orders and certification requirements associated with MMO-031-20 at maintenance capable offices will be cancelled.**

References:

- [MMO-031-20](#), *Influenza and Coronavirus Cleaning Contingency*
- [Maintenance Update June 16, 2020 Vol. 22, No 50](#), *CTC Light Duty Specialist Cleaning and Disinfecting Changes*
- [Maintenance Update July 1, 2020 Vol. 22, No 55](#), *COVID-19 CTC Chemical Changes for Light Duty Specialist*

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