

Keeping our Community Safe: Routine cleaning/ disinfecting requirements

Brescia's Facilities Management team follows cleaning and sanitizing protocol recommendations from the Middlesex-London Health Unit, Public Health and provincial and federal government sources. There are also many important steps our staff and faculty can take to ensure their own offices, workstations and lab spaces are kept clean.

Cleaning Protocol: 3x/shift

Washrooms

- All faucets, plunger handles, soap dispensers, towel dispensers, toilet seats, disposal bin covers & lids, waste receptacles and door handles, flush handles, light switches, soap dispensers levers, towel dispenser levers, hand dryer buttons, exit door handles and locks
- All touch points on washroom stall doors and main entrance doors
- Full sweep and thorough floor wash

Elevators

- All passenger elevators wall and internal/external push buttons
- Cleaning protocol will include loading/shipping dock (rails, push buttons, overhead door handle in freight elevator)

Conference rooms, meeting rooms

- tabletops
- chairs (arms rests and chair levers)
- emptying of waste baskets and recycling bins
- window sills
- tables and/or desk surfaces
- drawer/cabinet handles
- television controllers
- vacuuming

Lunchrooms/lounges and drinking fountains

- kitchen/break areas (counters, cupboard handles, fridge handle, microwave handle and buttons, coffee pots and buttons, vending machines and buttons, water coolers and buttons)

- drinking fountains
- sweep and wash floors

Photocopy and equipment rooms

- cleaning and disinfecting of hard surface areas and touch points

Daily Cleaning Protocol

Office and Common areas

- touch points, doors, lights switches
- waiting room furniture and foyer surfaces
- light switch plates
- door handles
- thermostats
- lobby reception areas / security stations / public waiting areas desk surfaces, pens, door handles
- public telephones
- chairs (arm rests and chair levers)
- pass readers
- Elevator buttons
- Vacuuming
- emptying of waste baskets and recycling bins

Stairs and landing areas

- spot clean walls, doors, handrails
- sweeping, vacuuming and floor washing

Washrooms

- emptying of waste baskets and recycling bins

Staff and Faculty Office Space Protocol:

The standard cleaning product used on campus for the last few years is the hydrogen-peroxide disinfectant cleaner AF79:

- Proven effective in killing 99.99% of bacteria fungi and viruses, including COVID-19, when diluted for use as a disinfectant.
- It is DIN (Drug Identification Number) registered. Environment Canada has tested and verified that this disinfectant is safe and effective.
- Can be effectively applied through a variety of different methods such as microfiber cloths and electrostatic sprayers.

Hand sanitizers available

- More than 50 wall-mounted and portable hand sanitizer dispensers across campus will be regularly maintained. Brescia uses hand sanitizers that do not contain technical grade ethanol.
- Hand sanitizer bottles will be placed in meeting rooms and public spaces as each phase is deployed.

Personal equipment and shared spaces

- Faculty and staff are expected to continue to clean and maintain their own equipment including various electronics, keyboards, office equipment, lab equipment, lunchroom equipment such as fridges/coffee makers/Keurigs/microwaves, etc.
- Our Facilities staff will ensure shared spaces such as kitchens and lounges are frequently cleaned.

If you have questions related to Brescia's policies, please contact Facilities Management at: Brescia.facilities@uwo.ca