

DECIPHERING DISINFECTANTS

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Not all disinfecting products and methods are safe and effective. Educating yourself on proper usage and application is important. Here's a quick guide to help consumers in purchasing products and services:



Safety

- Some disinfectants can be toxic to humans
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) may be necessary.
- Review the Safety Data Sheet



Cleaning Before Disinfecting

- Surfaces must be clean to be properly disinfected
- Always clean before fogging
- Not all disinfectants can be used as pre-cleaners



ULV Fogging

- Never occupy a space being fogged without proper PPE
- Stay out for 2 hours after fogging
- Not all disinfectants can be used for fogging
- Consider botanical disinfectants



Using Bleach

- Bleach is a great disinfectant when properly diluted. *Only recommended when nothing else is available.*
- Bleach will damage finished surfaces *Especially metals and fabrics.*



Restaurants & Child-Occupied Facilities

- Food-grade surfaces must be cleaned again after fogging
- Toys and surfaces in child-occupied facilities must be cleaned after fogging
- Consider botanical disinfectants for low toxicity



Will My Disinfectant Kill COVID-19

- Always check for an EPA registered label and Safety Data Sheet
- Look for the Formulator's statement on emerging pathogens and Covid-19
- Always apply according to label instructions, which includes wet contact for 10 minutes. Mist it and leave it!

Look for Contractor Certifications
Such As: IICRC, ISSA, IAQA, RIA, BSCAI

