## COVID-19



Department of Fire &

### **INTERIM OPERATIONAL PROCEDURE 03**

### Date: March 2020

### Subject: Enhanced Station, Vehicle and Equipment Cleaning and **Disinfection Plan**

### Objective

To limit the potential spread of COVID-19 at DFES facilities.

### **Applicable To;**

CFRS, VFRS, VFES, SES, BFB, MRWA.

### How to Clean a Station and Vehicle?

Procedures for cleaning stations and vehicles are detailed in the **DFES Facilities and Vehicle** Cleaning Guidelines for COVID-19. Where that procedure specifies use of disinfectant, you are to use DFES 2. Instructions for mixing DFES 2 is outlined later in this procedure.

### When should I clean and disinfect?

Cleaning and disinfection should take place at the earliest opportunity after the commencement of shift. Stations should also practice routine cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched hard surfaces and objects using a DFES 2 Disinfectant spray (for example: tables, doorknobs, light switches, handles, desks, toilets, taps, keyboards, phones). If surfaces are dirty, they should be cleaned using a detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection

### Decontaminate and Clean – Specific to Complex Structural Firefighting Radio (CSFR)

The CSFR are to be decontaminate and cleaned in the following circumstances when breathing apparatus (BA) has been used;

- a. After incidents
- b. After conducting a BA training drill

The radio is to be decontaminated and cleaned as per existing decontamination/cleaning procedures detailed in the Complex Structural Firefighting Radio Course student resource, located in eAcademy.

### Clean and Disinfect – All Radio Types

To clean and disinfect DFES Operational Radio Communications Devices the following procedure is to be followed:

- Radio turned OFF •
- Keep battery, antenna and radio speaker microphone (RSM) connected at all times •

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- Use DFES 2 disinfectant spray product;
  - o Spray radio, RSM, curly cord and antenna with DFES 2
    - Pay particular attention to the front of the RSM speaker grill and RSM Push To Talk (PTT).
  - Wipe radio and accessories clean with hand towel removing dirt and excess DFES 2 product.
  - o Reinstate the radio for operational use

### How to make disinfection?

Disinfection is based on DFES 2. DFES 2 product labelling contains instructions for safe and effective dilution and use of the cleaning product. The ratio advised is 6ml DFES 2:1L water

#### Correct ratio for a 750ml Spray Bottle 4.5ml DFES 2: 750ml water

### Precautions to take when using disinfecting.

- Wearing clear disposable gloves is recommended.
- Ensure you have good ventilation during use of the product.
- Gloves should be discarded after each cleaning.

#### Where to order products.

Product	Order Code		Order from
True Blue Atomiser Bottle Trigger 750ml	CLEA	000	
Tru Blue Plain Natural 750ml	CLEA0020		
Universal Vinal PF	Small	GLOV2160	<u>COS</u>
Gloves – Box 100	Medium	GLOV2162	
(clear) disposable	Large	GLOV2164	-
(clear) disposable	X Large	GLOV2166	
DFES 2 Disinfectant	Breathing Apparatus DFES 1 & DFES 2 Order Form		

Links to COS and order forms are available from the <u>Operational Store – Equipment</u>. Alternatively contact your District Officer or Area Officer.

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