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COVID-19 - Coronavirus Cleaning & Disinfection of 3M™ Safety Goggles and Safety Visors

What is 3M's recommendation for cleaning safety eyewear?

Clean goggles and visors with running water and mild soap (pH neutral soap, pH of 6 to 8) with no waxes or fat (waxes, oils, and grease will deposit a film which could interfere with anti-fog properties). Rinse goggles with clean water, shake off excess water, and let air dry.

Caution: Avoid soaking or excessively rubbing coated lenses during the cleaning process.

What is 3M's recommendation for disinfecting safety eyewear?

A dilute solution of sodium hypochlorite, (household bleach 5.75 to 6% sodium hypochlorite), is an appropriate disinfectant for goggles and visors.

To make a dilute solution suitable for disinfecting goggles and visors:

- 1. Mix 3/4 cup household bleach with 4 litres of warm water.
- 2. Immerse the goggles and visors in the solution and soak for 5 minutes.
- 3. Rinse the goggles and visors in clean, warm water, blot excess water with a cotton towel, and air dry in a clean non-contaminated atmosphere. Keep straps away from the lens during drying.
- 4. Store the goggles and visors away from contaminated areas when not in use.

Note: The disinfectant capability of bleach solutions decreases with storage. Be sure to use a fresh bottle of bleach when preparing the solution and make up a fresh solution daily.

Please note that certain properties such as anti-fogging may reduce after multiple cleanings.