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Enclosed spaces like cabs can harbor germs and viruses like the coronavirus during times like this, cleanliness is incredibly important. Keeping surfaces disinfected is a responsibility for everyone to help keep each other protected. Disinfecting should be a part of an operator's daily routine - just like checking the oil and coolant levels.

- Use an EPA-approved disinfectant which is effective at deactivating the novel coronavirus and is safe for interiors. It won't damage components in the interior of the cab like touch screens, switches and upholstery. See cdc.gov for full list of EPA-approved products.
- 2. Wear a mask and latex or synthetic rubber gloves when cleaning. Discard after use.





3. Spray all floor mats, windows and hard surfaces. This includes joysticks, steering wheel, knobs and any other touchpoints inside of the cab. Clean with detergent or soap and water if the surfaces are visibly dirty prior to disinfectant application.



4. Be careful when cleaning electronic consoles and display interfaces. An EPA-approved, contactless product may leave a film when it dries, but it's not necessary to wipe it off once you achieve full coverage. If necessary on electronics, use a soft cloth or microfiber cloth and discard after use.

5. For upholstery, avoid using any products that contain bleach to prevent damage, and remember to wipe down the seat belts including the buckles.



- **6.** Spray all machine touchpoints including the dipstick, fill caps, engine access points, handles, latches, etc.
- 7. If accessing the machine from the ground, be sure to spray all door handles and grab bars at the end of your cleaning.
- When finished, wash all cleaning towels in hot water with a bleach solution.

The CDC has provided additional information on cleaning and disinfecting non-emergency transport vehicles that you may find beneficial as well. According to the CDC, for disinfection of hard, non-porous surfaces, appropriate disinfectants include:

- 1. EPA's Registered Antimicrobial Products for Use Against Novel Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2external icon, the virus that causes COV ID-19. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for concentration, application method and contact time for all cleaning and disinfection products.
- 2. Diluted household bleach solutions prepared according to the manufacturer's label for disinfection, if appropriate for the surface. Follow manufacturer's instructions for application and proper ventilation. Check to ensure the product is not past its expiration date. Never mix household bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser.
- 3. Alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol.