

## Most face shields, goggles, and safety glasses can be cleaned/disinfected and re-used.

In general, eye protection should be dedicated for individual use and should not be shared. Eye protection should be cleaned and disinfected between uses.



### Cleaning products and PPE required

Sink or running water, soap (e.g. dish soap), disinfectant wipes approved for use against COVID-19 (Health Canada DIN number), and disposable gloves (nitrile, vinyl).



### Inspect eye protection

#### Goggles, safety glasses, and face shields without foam:

Inspect the eye protection for damage (e.g. broken bands or straps, scratches on visor or lens). If the eye protection appears damaged or compromised, DO NOT REUSE.

#### Face shields with visor and foam for forehead comfort:

Inspect the face shield for damage. If the foam piece of the face shield is visibly soiled or the face shield appears damaged or compromised, DO NOT REUSE.



### Cleaning and disinfection

Eye protection should be cleaned following manufacturer's instructions. Review the manufacturer's instructions for the type of eye protection you are using and for the cleaner/disinfectant. If instructions are not available, use the following steps:

1. Place eye protection on a clean surface.
2. Perform hand hygiene.
3. Put on a new pair of disposable gloves (if indicated by disinfectant label).
4. **Clean:** Using a clean cloth with soap, clean the inside followed by the outside. Rinse with water and remove excess water. For goggles and face shields, keep the straps and foam from getting wet. Allow eye protection to dry or dry with a clean absorbent cloth.
6. **Disinfect:** Using one disinfectant wipe at a time, and first squeezing excess disinfectant into a sink to prevent splash to face, thoroughly wipe the inside and then the outside. Ensure all surfaces remain wet with disinfectant for at least 1 minute (or applicable disinfectant contact time). Eye protection may be rinsed with water if visibility is compromised by residual disinfectant. Allow eye protection to dry or dry with a clean absorbent cloth.
7. If eye protection is not visibly contaminated or soiled, only **disinfection** is required.
8. If anti-fogging spray was used, reapply as necessary following cleaning and disinfection.
9. Place eye protection back on or store in a clean container, bin, or sealable bag for reuse.
10. For single-use goggles or face shields (e.g. secured with elastic strap), discard after use.



### Remove gloves and clean hands

Remove gloves and dispose of them in the garbage. Perform hand hygiene.

