

PREVENTIVE MEASURES AGAINST THE RISK OF COVID-19

Guidelines and procedures

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■ Surface Cleaning and Disinfection - Vigilance level (green)

The *Institut national de santé publique du Québec* has published guidelines² for cleaning and disinfecting surfaces. This information may have an impact on the maintenance of places of worship.

Distinction between cleaning and disinfection

Cleaning and disinfection are two distinct and complementary steps:

- Surface cleaning removes dirt, grime, grease, and biological fluids.
- Disinfection of surfaces is done using chemicals to kill microorganisms.

Changes applicable in Yellow and Green Level

- In indoor public places, surfaces that are frequently touched should be **cleaned** at least daily and, if possible, more frequently depending on the intensity of their use. Regular **disinfection** of these surfaces is no longer required.

¹ These measures either are in addition to, or clarify those already in force in the diocese.

² <https://www.inspq.qc.ca/en/publications/3054-surface-cleaning-disinfection-covid19>