

HAND SANITIZER PRECAUTIONS

Hand sanitizer use does not replace the need to wash your hands frequently and thoroughly. Sanitizer should only be used when washing your hands with soap and water is not feasible at the time.

Sanitizers are meant to kill germs, if you can see dirt, grime, blood or any other visual residue on your hand, wash with soap and water.

Health Canada recommends using a hand sanitizer that contains 60-90% alcohol and specifically 70% alcohol and higher in healthcare settings.

HOW TO APPLY:



Remove any rings you are wearing.



Squirt a dime-sized amount of the sanitizer onto the palm of one hand.



Rub hands together palm to palm.



Use the palm of one hand to rub the sanitizer onto the back of the other hand and between fingers.



Repeat on the other hand.



Rub thumbs with sanitizer.



Rub sanitizer until hands feel dry, usually 15-30 seconds.



Do not rinse or wipe off sanitizer before it is dry.

HOW TO SAFELY STORE

- Store away from all heat and ignition sources (sparks, flames, hot surfaces)
- Storage area should be cool and well ventilated.
- If sanitizer catches fire, use fire extinguisher with dry chemical, water spray (fog), carbon dioxide CO₂ foam.

If you are using hand sanitizer with 80% alcohol content or higher, make sure you get the Safety Data Sheet from the manufacturer.