Chemical Do's and Don'ts CLEANING AND SANITATION BEST PRACTICES





DO: Read the Product Label

Make sure you review and understand a product's label before use. Look for:

Safety Precautions and Hazards – Do you need PPE? What are the First Aid procedures? How should you dispose of the chemical?

Use instructions -What's it used for? How is it used?

Manufacturer contact information -Who is the manufacturer? How can you contact them?



DON'T: **Mix Sanitation Products**

Many people don't know mixing bleach with vinegar is dangerous.¹

Never mix multiple products.

Mixing chemicals can cause toxic fumes, leading to injury and even death.



DO: Use Personal Protective Equipment, if Required

Personal protective equipment (PPE) is designed to protect an individual from chemical exposures and could mean:

• Goggles or eye shields Chemical-resistant gloves • Long-sleeved garments and closed-toe shoes Respirators to prevent accidental inhalation



DON'T Store Cleaning and Sanitation Products in an **Unsafe Manner**

Store all products together by chemical type and hazard class code.

Store reactive chemicals separately from each other.

To avoid spills, never store products on the floor and don't store higher than eye level.

Products should be labeled with instructions, risks, and necessary safety precautions.



DO: Use a Product Only for

Its Intended Use

Store products in their appropriate containers and original packaging.

Don't reuse containers for other chemicals.

Never use a product for something it isn't designed for.

1. https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/home-safety/household-chemical-safety.html

