

Children's bathrooms/changing areas guidance

- Our older toddlers have low changing surfaces they can climb on to, or floor surface is used. Staff should not have to lift heavy toddlers on to waist high units.
- Changing mats are cleaned and disinfected in baby change areas.
- Disposable nappies/trainers are placed in nappy disposal units.
- Staff use single use gloves and aprons to change children and wash hands when leaving changing areas. Please note that gloves are not always required for a wet nappy if there is no risk of infection, however, gloves are always available for those staff who choose to wear them for a wet nappy. Gloves are always worn for a 'soiled' nappy.
- Staff never turn their backs on or leave a child unattended whilst on a changing mat.
- Changing areas or stands are provided for older (disabled) children, if required
- Changing mats are disinfected after each change.
- Anti-bacterial spray is not used where residue may have direct contact with skin.
- Anti-bacterial sprays used in nappy changing areas are not left within the reach of children.
- Natural or mechanical ventilation is used; chemical air fresheners are not used.
- All other surfaces are disinfected daily.

Children's toilets and wash basins

- Children's toilets are cleaned daily using disinfectant cleaning agent for the bowls (inside and out), seat and lid, and whenever visibly soiled.
- Toilet flush handles are disinfected daily.
- There is a toilet brush available for children's toilets.
- Cubicle doors and handles (or curtains) are washed daily.
- Children's hand basins are cleaned daily and whenever visibly soiled, inside, and out using disinfectant cleaning agent. Separate cloths are used to clean basins etc. and are not interchanged with those used for cleaning toilets. Colour coded cloths are used.
- Mirrors and tiled splash backs are washed daily
- Staff who clean toilets wear rubber gloves.
- Staff changing children wear gloves and aprons as appropriate.
- Wet or soiled clothing is put in a plastic bag for parents to collect. If necessary, this is sluiced and rinsed.
- Floors in children's toilets are washed daily.

- Spills of body fluids are cleared and mopped using disinfectant at the time of the incident.
- Used water in the mop bucket is poured down an outside drain.