COVID-19 Cloth Face Covering

Cloth face coverings + surgical masks help reduce the spread of potentially infectious droplets within the community when combined with physical distancing and hand washing.

CLOTH FACE COVERING CARE

- Wash cloth face covering frequently, ideally after each use, or at least daily.
- Launder with detergent and hot water.
- Dry on hot cycle.
- Wash your hands when putting on and removing your face covering and avoid touching your face.

FACE COVERINGS VS PPE

A cloth face covering is not considered PPE. PPE is worn by healthcare workers or those who provide services for a person who is suspected to have COVID-19. A face covering is recommended for the general public to reduce the spread of infectious particles into the air when the wearer speaks, coughs, or sneezes.

The Following are No Longer Acceptable per Cal-OSHA's COVID-19 Protection Plan

- Bandana
- Neck Gaitor
- Homemade sewn cloth
- Scarf
- Tightly woven fabric e.g., cotton T-shirts

Wear a fitted cloth face covering in combination with a fitted mask to improve filtering efficiency and maximize protection.

RESOURCES

CDC - Improve How Your Mask Protects You
Maximizing Fit for Cloth and Medical...Masks
Cloth Face Covers

CA DPH - CA DPH Mask Guidance

EH&S - PPE Risk Matrix
COVID-19 Surgical Mask Use Quick Guide