

HOW TO MAINTAIN YOUR HEALTH & YOUR EQUIPMENT

These are unprecedented times. Core Health & Fitness, like our customers and partners globally, is learning to navigate during the COVID-19 pandemic amidst uncertainty. Our most recent release and company update can be found here: <https://corehandf.com/covid19/>

We have taken immediate steps to flatten the curve and put the well-being of our customers and employees to the forefront. While our international operations in China are returning to near full capacity as the pandemic subsides, domestically we have transitioned the vast majority of our workforce and operations to remote operations at home. Additionally, remote/sales operation staff have changed daily routines significantly in the best interest of our customers and teams.

It is imperative that we educate ourselves as information unfolds around this pandemic. The more we know, the more informed we are to make the right decisions. This can impact on so many critical levels of overall well-being. Staff and members depend on leadership to make the right call at the right point in time reopening, modifying operations, updating protocols where necessary, and generally making informed decisions with positive outcomes with considerations for all constituents.

Core Health & Fitness wants to express our deepest sympathy to anyone affected by this pandemic and share with you some information and resources to help better understand how to protect the health of yourself and those around you both now and in the future. We are all in this together and so our partnerships are more important now than ever as we support each other and hope for better days ahead.

WHAT CAN BE DONE TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS?

It is critical that we follow [*CDC Guidelines](#):

- **Know How it Spreads**
- **Take Steps to Protect Yourself**
 - Clean your hands often
 - Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
 - Avoid close contact
- **Take Steps to Protect Others**
 - Stay home if you're sick
 - Cover coughs and sneezes
 - Wear a facemask if you are sick
 - Clean and disinfect



*Full guidelines viewable on [CDC Website](#).

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

White House 15 Days to Slow the Spread:

https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/03.16.20_coronavirus-guidance_8.5x11_315PM.pdf?fbclid=IwAR12wPntY0yuxU_TflyxvCj7jEMni1VMjdpBKEeCZ0J6bb6OjFHeTFuQ_k0

WHAT CAN I DO AS AN OWNER/OPERATOR OF MY FACILITY?

While most owners/operators have either closed, reduced hours, reduced services, and a multitude of other measures, many are still left trying to find the best path forward when operations continue while doing what is in the best interest of patrons and employees. Protocols and overall cleanliness have become increasingly important.

2XL Corporation, a leader in the cleaning industry, offers several solutions for gym owners made efficient for member and staff use that can be found [HERE](#). They also offer a simple [5 step guide](#) to eradicate COVID-19 from hard surfaces:

Step 1: Use protective gear (PPE) to ensure that you do not expose yourself to the virus. Make sure your entire body is covered from head to toe by using gloves, a face mask, long shirts, pants, etc. Leave no part of your body exposed.

Step 2: Apply a cleaner first in order to remove any dirt or debris from the surface. This must be done before cleaning or else the disinfectant may not be able to effectively kill the pathogen(s).

Step 3: Apply an EPA registered disinfectant to the surface. You can use a wipe or liquid disinfectant, just make sure it kills the virus.

Step 4: Allow the cleaner to sit for the recommended dwell time.

Step 5: Let the surface air dry.

SUGGESTED CLEANERS

- 409 Spray
- Athletix Disinfectant Wipes
- Gym Wipes
- Care Wipes
- Antibacterial Force Wipes

See the EPA's full list [HERE](#)



We recommend avoiding the use of cleaners that contain ammonia on fitness equipment

More specific Core Health & Fitness cleaning and care guidelines can be found [HERE](#) as well as in our [preventative maintenance manual](#). A quick excerpt and helpful training tool from our manuals below:



Spray liquid on towel and use towel to wipe equipment.



NEVER spray directly on equipment.

As the visual illustrates, it is critical that all spray solutions are sprayed **ONLY** onto the towel/cleaning tool, **NOT** directly onto consoles or equipment in general. This is essential to the longevity of your equipment. Training and giving staff and members the necessary tools and easy to follow procedures is perhaps the most important part in closing the loop. This will ensure that you are disinfecting properly and preserving the life of your investment.