



## Cleaning and Disinfecting Shared Items

### STEP 1 - INSPECT

Inspect all shared items before and after use to ensure there are no loose, sharp or broken edges as well as visible body fluids (stool, vomit and blood) that could be a safety hazard to children.

### STEP 2 - COLLECT

Remove shared items after use and place them in a collection box.

### STEP 3 - CLEAN

Shared items should be washed and scrubbed with soap and water and then rinsed thoroughly. Use a brush to clean crevices or hard to reach areas.

### STEP 4 - DISINFECT

Follow manufacturer labels for recommended application and contact time for disinfectants. Spray bottles with disinfectant are not recommended.

### STEP 5 - RINSE

Rinse disinfectant with clean water.

### STEP 6 - AIR DRY

Allow time to air dry before next use.

### STEP 7- RECORD

Keep a record of when shared items were cleansed and disinfected.



Recommended Resource: [Chlorine \(Bleach\) Solution for Disinfecting](#), Renfrew County and District Health Unit