5.25-6.00% Bleach Solutions

TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS TO ENSURE SAFETY IN YOUR CHILD CARE FACILITY IF YOU ARE STILL USING 5.25-6.00% BLEACH

Identify what bleach concentration is in your facility. Refer to the chart below for mixing instructions. Find the % sodium hypochlorite on the bottle. Avoid splash-less and scented bleaches.

Active Ingredient: Sodium Hypochlorite...

Clean

- Scrub with soap and warm water followed by a rinse with clean water.
- Always clean surfaces to remove visible soil, dirt and contamination before using bleach solution.

Mix

- Mix fresh solutions daily for sanitizing and disinfecting.
- Add bleach to cool-water.
- Do not mix liquid bleach with other cleaning products, toilet blow cleaners or ammonia, which may release hazardous gases in to the air.

Sanitize, Disinfect, Special Clean-up

- Wet entire surface
- Leave solution on surface for 2 minutes for sanitizing and 5 minutes for disinfecting
- Dry with paper towel or allow to air-dry

Sanitize (100 ppm)	Disinfect (600 ppm)	Special Clean-up (5000 ppm)	
 CLEAN & SANITIZE AFTER EACH USE: Mouthed toys and pacifiers Food service areas, dishes & utensils 	CLEAN & DISINFECT AFTER EACH USE: Diaper changing surface Toilet training seats	CLEAN & USE AS NEEDED FOR VOMIT AND DIARRHEA: Not for other bodily fluids	
 SANITIZE DAILY OR WHEN SOILED: Dishcloths, synthetic sponges Food preparation appliances 	 DISINFECT DAILY OR WHEN SOILED: Bathroom areas Common surfaces; floors, mats, tables, countertops and hard surface, door knobs, etc. 	MIX SOLUTION WHEN NEEDED WEAR GLOVES AND MASKS TO PROTECT YOURSELF	
1/8 teaspoon bleach/ pint water	1 1/4 teaspoon bleach/ pint water	3 Tablespoons bleach/ pint water	
1/2 teaspoon bleach/ quart water	1 Tablespoon bleach/ quart water	6 Tablespoons bleach/ quart water	
2 teaspoon bleach/ gallon water	¼ cup bleach/ gallon water	1 ½ cup bleach/ gallon water	



*For assistance with Sanitizing, Disinfecting, and Special Clean-up procedures you can contact your regional Child Care Health Consultant through the Idaho Care Line by dialing 2-1-1 or 1-800-926-2588

*Caring for Our Children is available online at http://cfoc.nrckids.org or in print. This provides National health and safety recommendations. A routine cleaning schedule can also be found in this resource.