



COVID 19 Cleaning Procedures

Always consult your doctor for medical advice. For more information regarding cleaning and disinfecting public spaces, please refer to the CDC website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/clean-disinfect/index.html>

Cleaning Procedure

Molten USA has received many inquiries regarding how best to clean and/or sanitize volleyballs. In brief analysis, the use of sanitizing wipes inclusive of bleach or similar disinfectant have proven to be effective against emerging viral pathogens. However due to the porous surface of the leather and composite volleyballs, tests have not confirmed the ability to kill the novel coronavirus.

- 1.) When using wipes
 - a. It is suggested to place the wipe in one hand while thoroughly rotating the ball to ensure cleaning of the entire surface.
 - b. Once the entire surface has been cleansed, the ball will need to dry prior to being placed back in use.

Recommended Wipes: CleanCide Wipes; Clorox Disinfecting Wipes; Lonza Disinfectant Wipes; Lysol® Disinfecting Wipes (All Scents).

- 2.) When wipes are not available
 - a. It is suggested to use soap and water to clean the product.
 - b. Take a cloth or towel and dip it in the soapy water. Remove and drain excess liquid.
 - c. Scrub the ball thoroughly.
 - d. Take a clean cloth or towel dip it in clean water. Remove the soap from the ball.
 - e. Place the ball in a well-ventilated area to dry completely. Do not place in direct sunlight.

For more cleaning products approved by the EPA please visit <https://cfpub.epa.gov/qiwiz/disinfectants/index.cfm>

*Please note due to the chemical properties in the wipes and some cleaning products, some of the ink on the ball may be removed. Alcohol wipes have resulted in damage to the product and are not recommended at this time.

Alternative Option

Inserting a ball rotation plan. Use 4-6 balls in a rotation to ensure that the balls can be cleaned between matches and play.

Moving Forward

Molten will continue to advise on cleaning procedures as new information about the coronavirus is released. We want to ensure that our customers are safe and that the products uphold their performance.