

Appendix 2 - Cleaning standards (ambulance trusts: premises)

Ambulance stations/stand by areas - category: high risk

Element	Standard	Cleaning frequency	Comments
Sterile storage areas	Area should be free from clutter/waste No items stored on floor Shelving wiped Floor cleaned	These areas should be enclosed so weekly clean should suffice, with daily check of cleanliness - then extra clean if required	
Linen store	As above and in enclosed cupboard.	Weekly as above	
Vehicle equipment store i.e. spinal boards, head blocks, collars, bags, all spare equipment	Area should be free from clutter/waste No items stored on floor Shelving wiped Floor cleaned Dirty items must not be stored with clean	Weekly as above	
Sluice Room	Area should be free from clutter/waste No items stored on floor Shelving wiped Floor cleaned	Daily	
Vehicle Cleaning Area	Area should be free from clutter/waste No items stored on floor Shelving wiped Floor cleaned	Daily	

NB. All areas contaminated with blood or body fluids must be effectively cleaned as soon as practicable.

Ambulance stations/stand by areas - category: significant risk

Element	Standard	Cleaning frequency	Comments
Kitchen	Work surfaces wiped Sink unit wiped Soap and paper towel dispenser Shelving and cupboards wiped Cooker wiped Fridge: Interior Exterior Freezer Microwave - wipe Waste Bin - wipe and empty bag Walls - wipe down Flooring	Daily Daily Daily Weekly After each use Wipe weekly Wipe daily As required After each use Daily with deep-clean monthly Weekly Mop daily	
Toilet and showers	Sink units and surrounds - wipe Toilets - wipe clean and use toilet cleaning fluid Walls Flooring Shower area Toilet doors and door handles Waste receptacles	Daily Daily Wipe weekly Mop daily Daily clean, area should be wiped every time it is used. If not regularly used, shower should be run for 5 minutes every week - log to be kept Wipe daily Wipe daily, change bag, deep-clean monthly.	

Appendix 3 - Cleaning standards (ambulance trusts: premises)

Ambulance stations/stand by areas - category: significant risk continued

Element	Standard	Cleaning frequency	Comments
Crew rooms	All hard surfaces Soft furnishing Curtains/blinds Flooring: carpet Flooring: hard floor Walls and doors Fans/air conditioning units	Dust/wipe daily Clean appropriately daily - vacuum, dust and/or wipe Launder/clean at least yearly or more frequently if required Vacuum daily, deep-clean i.e. shampoo yearly or more frequently if required Vacuum and mop daily Wipe weekly Wipe weekly, ensure well maintained to prevent dust build-up	
Locker rooms	Exterior surfaces of lockers Flooring, furnishing, walls and doors	Wipe weekly As per other significant risk areas	

NB. All areas contaminated with blood or body fluids must be effectively cleaned immediately. All areas should be visibly clean and well maintained, including skirting, walls, ceilings, window sills, doors and door frames.

Ambulance offices and control room areas - category: low risk

Element	Standard	Cleaning frequency	Comments
General office areas - no first responders present	Vacuum and dust as required - dependent on frequency of use - or mop hard floors IT equipment Walls, ceilings and doors	Twice per week Appropriate wipes should be available for use by staff Bi-monthly wipe or dust	
General office - first responders present	Vacuum and dust or mop hard floor IT equipment Walls and ceilings Doors and handles	Daily Appropriate wipes should be available for use by staff Bi-monthly wipe or dust Wipe daily	
Corridors	Hard floors Carpeted floors Walls and ceilings Doors and handles	Mop daily Vacuum daily Bi-monthly wipe or dust Daily wipe for handles, weekly wipe for doors	Frequency is dependent on amount of traffic in area
Reception areas	Hard floors Carpeted floors Furniture Walls and ceilings Doors and handles	Mop daily Vacuum daily Dust, wipe or vacuum as appropriate daily Bi-monthly wipe or dust Daily wipe for handles, weekly wipe for doors	Frequency is dependent on amount of traffic in area
Store rooms	Floors Furniture Walls and ceilings	Weekly mop Weekly mop or dust Bi-monthly wash or wipe	