

# COVID-19 VEHICLE DISINFECTING AND CLEANING GUIDELINES

COVID-19 is carried through respiratory droplets (coughing, sneezing) and/or touching contaminated surfaces then touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. If transporting clients disinfect all high-touch surfaces.

# TRAVEL IN AGENCY AND PERSONAL VEHICLES

Please:

- <u>Self-isolate</u> if you show symptoms or have returned from travel outside of Canada in the past 14 days.
- Do not transport clients if you are selfisolating.
- Limit the number of passengers in your vehicle, where possible apply 2 meters distance.
- Roll down windows slightly for air flow.
- Avoid using the air recirculation feature because it may reuse air with infected respiratory droplets.

# PHYSICAL DISTANCING

Physical distancing means keeping two meters from others. Practice it where possible. If it is not possible then please:

- Reduce non-essential travel.
- Speak with your supervisor to decide what travel is necessary.
- Reduce the need to transport passengers.
- If you must carry passengers, please carry your PPE Kit and use it appropriately.

# **DISINFECTING & CLEANING OF VEHICLES**

In addition to good hygiene disinfect all high touch surfaces in your vehicle. When disinfecting please:

#### Do:

- use disinfectant with at least 70% alcohol concentration or, if unavailable, use soap and water.
- clean all high-touch surfaces in vehicle: steering wheel, turn signal, gear shift, seatbelt buckles, door handles, all buttons, dials, and switches.
- clean surfaces touched by staff or client(s).
- spend extra time cleaning the steering wheel.

#### (As per GOA Guidelines – March 2020)

- clean the door and center console armrests, display screens, cup holders, cubbyholes, and air conditioner vents.
- check your car manual to see what disinfectants can be used on any leather surfaces as some may damage leather.

#### Avoid:

- ammonia-based cleaners, bleach, or hydrogen peroxide as they can damage interior surfaces.
- glass cleaner on any surface except windows as it will damage many surfaces, including touch screens.
- cleaning fabric with too much water and soap as it can cause mold growth.
- vehicle's air recirculation feature.

# CAR SEAT CLEANING

After each use you must clean the car seat:

- Remove all debris (eg. food).
- Spray the soap and water solution onto all surfaces. For dirty seats spray extra.
- Wipe the surface for at least 20 seconds: friction removes the virus.
- Use one rag to wipe it and, if need be, use another rag to dry it.
- Allow the seat to dry as much as possible before the next use.
- Place the solution bottle back in the bag, with the rags, and proceed to next job.

### **Cleaning Kit includes:**

- 1 spray bottle (labelled for workplace). 1 teaspoon of dish soap to 700 ml of water in each spray bottle.
- 3 washable dishrags.
- A bag to keep the contents so preventing spillage or loss.

Please launder the rags frequently.