

How to Process K-12 Cafeteria Surfaces

The challenge in cleaning and sanitizing cafeteria tables is the fact that there is a line of children waiting to sit in the occupied seats and use the tables within minutes after the first students leave.



We will outline 'best practices', all better than the bucket and rag method so widely used. First let us explain the issues with the bucket/rag practice.

- 1. The cleaning/sanitizing solution is reused from table to table as the rag is continually dipped into the solution.
- 2. The solution is never changed between the inflow of students and as such continues to load up with soils throughout the lunch period.
- 3. The worker is constantly putting their hand into the solution which causes absorption of the solution into the worker's skin.

For these reasons follow these outlined processes that do not put you the worker at risk, minimizes your efforts and maximizes the results.

Charging System – 18" Cafeteria Tabletop Pads

Items Required

- An 18" charging bucket
- Dilution control bucket
- 18" green microfiber pads, (either Pocket or Velcro style)
- 18" pad holder
- Extension handle
- Properly diluted ZD3 solution

Process

 Dispense ZD3 solution into the dilution control bucket.



- 2. Place pads into the charging bucket with the green fabric facing the bottom of the charging bucket.
- 3. Pour diluted solution into the pads, being sure not to overfill the bucket. Pour in only the amount of solution that the pads will absorb. More pads, more solution. Less pads, less solution.



- 4. Put lid on charging bucket, and turn bucket over on its lid.
- 5. Extend the handle to the right length so that the holder is on the tabletop and the worker is standing straight.
- 6. Flip bucket back over, and remove lid.
- 7. Place pad holder on the top side of the pad, attach the pad and remove pad from bucket.

- 8. Wipe one or two tables depending on soil level on the table.
- 9. Put dirty pad in laundry bag and get a new pad until all tables are done.

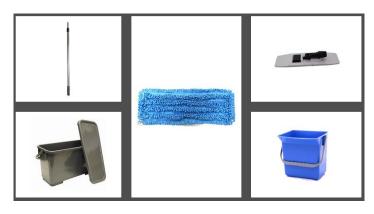


- **Optional 'best practice'** to remove additional contaminates and dry the surface quickly for the next group of students.
- Use a 12" general purpose squeegee on the tabletop and pull the solution off of the table onto the pad you used to clean the surface with. This will dry the tabletop completely.

Charging System – 18" Cafeteria Floor System

Items Required

- An 18" charging bucket
- Dilution control bucket
- 18" green microfiber pads, (either Pocket or Velcro style)
- 18" pad holder
- Extension handle
- Properly diluted ZD3 solution



Process

- 1. Remove debris with pan & broom as needed.
- 2. Dust mop the floor.
- 3. Dispense ZD3 solution into the dilution control bucket.





- 4. Place pads into the charging bucket with the blue fabric facing the bottom of the charging bucket.
- 5. Pour diluted solution into the pads, being sure not to overfill the bucket. Pour in only the amount of solution that the pads will absorb. More pads, more solution. Less pads, less solution.



- 6. Put lid on charging bucket, and turn bucket over on its lid.
- 7. Extend the handle to the right length, chin height. The holder is place on the floor, pull the handle up and lock. The top of the handle should be chin high so that the worker is standing straight.
- 8. Flip bucket back over, and remove lid.
- 9. Place pad holder on the top side of the pad, attach the pad and remove pad from bucket.
- 10. Mop up to 400 sq. ft. before changing the pad, depending on soil level on the floor.
- 11. Put dirty pad in laundry bag and get a new pad until all the area is done.

(*Items shown are for representation of the tools used in these processes and are not intended to support any certain brand)

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