

Prevent Poisonings When Cleaning and Sanitizing

The number of poisonings in Washington state from bleach, rubbing alcohol and hand sanitizer has risen sharply since the coronavirus crisis began. Here are ways to prevent poisoning yourself and others:

- Wear gloves, and open windows and doors for ventilation.
- Do not mix cleaning products, as mixing can create hazardous gases.
- Do not use cleaning products on food.
- Store cleaners, household chemicals, hand sanitizer and other potentially harmful substances in their original containers, up high and out of reach of children.
- Supervise children when using hand sanitizer to prevent ingestion and eye exposures.
- Wash masks with soap and water. Never soak or spray masks with bleach, disinfectants or other cleaning chemicals.



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