



# DCNR COVID-19 Safety Fact Sheet # 4

## Public Contact

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*The COVID-19 outbreak presents unusual circumstances that require us to do whatever is necessary to further our mission. This fact sheet discusses simple things that you can do to keep yourself and others healthy and stop the spread of this virus. Treat everyone as though they are a COVID-19 carrier and every common surface as if it harbors the virus. Remember, one careless person can spread the virus to the whole work unit. It is our responsibility to keep our community and colleagues safe.*

Follow Statewide Forest Ranger Standard Operating Procedures previously disseminated on 4/9/2020 for performing routine activities. Law enforcement leadership and personnel should follow CDC's Interim General Business Guidance. Search "Interim Guidance for Businesses" on [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

### Recommended Protection Measures

- Practice proper and frequent hand washing or use hand-sanitizer
- Do not touch your face with unwashed hands
- Apply social distancing measures – stay at least 6 feet away and communicate via loudspeaker when possible
- Clean or decontaminate your work equipment and workspace
- Wear a mask or face covering while at your work site
- Wear recommended PPE as necessary and available (gloves, N95/K95 mask or Face Covering)
- Bring a spare clean uniform in the event close contact with a visitor is necessary
- Seek medical advice as per the direction of the PA Department of Health

### Disinfectant and Cleaning Procedures

**Skin:** Wash frequently with soap and water or hand sanitizer/ personal disinfectant

**Patrol Car Equipment:** Clean items you frequently touch and disinfect with a household cleaning spray or wipe, or a spray containing at least 70% alcohol. Frequently touched areas include steering wheel, gear shift, door handles and edges, vehicle keys, etc.

#### Duty Belt and Gear:

- Clean and disinfect your duty belt and gear as necessary using a household cleaning spray or wipe, or spray containing at least 70% alcohol. Refer to the product label for additional guidance.
- Firearm: Refer to manual for cleaning instructions
- Handcuffs: Disinfect using a household cleaning spray or wipe, spray containing at least 70% alcohol, or hot, soapy water. WD-40 can be used on hinges or areas where water may collect.
- Straight baton or Monadnock PR 24: Wash with hot, soapy water
- Radio: See specifications
- Used PPE: Follow standard operating procedures for the containment and disposal of used PPE

#### Returning Home

- Take off duty clothes and launder them as soon as possible. Handle, transport, and wash them in a way that limits exposure to skin, eyes, environment, and other clean clothes (avoid shaking)
- Take a shower or wash exposed skin with soap and water

Please follow all the information provided to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. We will continue to do everything we can to keep our employees informed and safe. For additional information and to stay informed reference the Center for Disease Control or the Pennsylvania Department of Health websites.

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