

COVID -19 Operational PPE Guide Table: **WASTE COLLECTION**

General Health

If you become unwell outside work with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, stay at home, follow isolation guidance and inform your line manager asap (day or night so that cover arrangements can be made). Your line manager will inform AskHR on your behalf.

If you become unwell at work with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, inform your line manager immediately, arrange to go home and follow isolation guidance. Your line manager will inform AskHR on your behalf. Anyone in close proximity to you at the time of showing symptoms may also have to go home – seek advice immediately from your Line Manager.

The PPE Guidance given in the table below is relative to COVID-19 protection measures and indicates what should be used either in conjunction with, or in place of the PPE/RPE requirements identified by Current Risk Assessment / Safe System of Work for your Operational Activities.

This guidance is based on the arrangements necessary for protection as provided for in NHS and any relevant professional guidance. However, it is important that you feel safe at work, and if you consider it necessary you can use your own face covering or a mask or visor provided by SBC while at work. Where the table indicates a mask is required this must be an SBC issue mask.

We are doing our utmost to ensure supplies of PPE are available but to ensure supplies are available in the most critical areas this would be limited to one mask or visor per shift. If, however, your mask becomes soiled or contaminated then it can be replaced during the shift.

Context	Disposable Gloves	Disposable Plastic Aprons	Surgical mask	Fluid-resistant (Type IIR) surgical mask	Eye/face protection (Visor)
Waste Collection drivers					
If cab has been thoroughly sanitised, wear nitrile gloves only for driving	Yes	No	No	No	No
If assisting in collections, put on normal refuse gloves over the nitrile gloves when leaving the cab. Remove when re-entering the cab	Yes with normal refuse gloves over the top	No	No	No	No
All operatives					
Wear standard issue PPE and ensure clean / washed regularly	Yes	No	No	No	No
Ensure you are wearing gloves when you submit your Digi-Card to the reader	Yes	No	No	No	No
Wear disposable gloves and/or normal refuse gloves and wipe clean before removing	Yes	No	No	No	No
If an operative stops work to eat/drink/smoke the basic process is gloves off, wash hands for 20 seconds minimum, eat/drink/smoke, wash hands again, put fresh gloves back on	No	No	No	No	No
Where waste has already been designated as 'clinical waste', clinical waste procedures should already be in place and followed.	Yes	No	No	No	No

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Delivering refuse bags to households not in flats					
Wear disposable gloves under normal refuse gloves; use wipes as required when touching any surfaces etc.	Yes	No	No	No	No
Delivering refuse bags to households within flats					
Wear disposable gloves under normal refuse gloves; use wipes as required when touching any surfaces etc.	Yes	No	No	No	No

*Hands should be washed with soap and water for 20 seconds once PPE is removed