

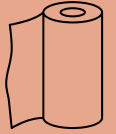
7 Response Steps When Handling Blood & Bodily Fluids

1 Wear Gloves



- wear latex, rubber or nitrile gloves
- inspect gloves for holes/tears
- double up if the gloves are thin
- avoid touching the outside of the gloves with bare skin
- cover cuts/sores with a bandage
- dispose of gloves properly

2 Clean Up the Spill



- carefully cover the spill
- use an absorbent material such as paper towels
- prevent splashing of blood/bodily fluids

3 Decontaminate the Area



- use an appropriate disinfectant
- pour gently
- solution = 1 parts bleach to 10 parts water
- work from the edge of the spill towards the center

4 Wait 10 Minutes



- let the disinfecting solution penetrate for 10 minutes
- carefully wipe up the spilled material
- be alert for broken glass and sharp objects

5 Disinfect Cleaning Tools



- properly disinfect all cleaning tools such as mops and buckets

6 Dispose of Contaminated Material



- use a broom and dustpan to pick up broken glassware
- place glassware in a puncture resistant container
- handle soiled laundry as little as possible
- place in a sealed plastic bag
- send home with the parent

7 Wash Your Hands



- use soap and water
- wash thoroughly