## Appendix 2: Elements, performance parameters and cleaning frequencies

**For cleaning frequency definitions refer to the National Standards of Healthcare Cleanliness – section 5: Risk categories and standards for functional areas.**

**Note:** The list of elements provided is not an exhaustive list and organisations may add or remove elements that are not relevant to their organisation or an area of their organisation.

| **No** | **Element** | **Performance parameter** | **FR1** | **FR2** | **FR3** | **FR4** | **FR5** | **FR6** |
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| 1 | Bed pan (reusable), bed pan holder, patient wash bowls | All parts should be clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or spillages. | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points and remove any visible soiling.Full clean weekly even ifnot used | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points and remove any visible soiling.Full clean weekly even ifnot used |
| 2 | Bed pan washer / macerator | All parts should be clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or spillages. | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points and remove any visible soiling.Full clean weekly even if not used | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points and remove any visible soiling.Full clean weekly even if not used |
| 3 | Other sluice equipment including sluice sink and equipment holders | All items should be clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or spillages | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points, and remove any visible soiling |
| 4 | Commodes | All parts including underneath should be clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or spillages | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points and remove any visible soiling.Disassemble and full clean weekly | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points and remove any visible soiling.Disassemble and full clean weekly | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points and remove any visible soiling.Disassemble and full clean weekly | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points and remove any visible soiling.Disassemble and full clean weekly | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points and remove any visible soiling.Disassemble and full clean weekly even if not used | Full clean daily and after each use including touch points and remove any visible soiling.Disassemble and full clean weekly even if not used  |
| 5 | Patient hoists | All parts including underneath should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or spillages | Full clean daily and after each use to remove any visible soiling.Full clean weekly even if not used | Full clean daily and after each use to remove any visible soiling.Full clean weekly even if not used | Full clean daily and after each use to remove any visible soiling.Full clean fortnightly even if not used | Full clean daily and after each use to remove any visible soiling.Full clean fortnightly even if not used | N/A | N/A |
| 6 | Weighing scales including neonatal, seated, and standing scales | All parts including underneath should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or spillages | Full clean daily and after each use to remove any visible soiling.Full clean weekly even if not used | Full clean daily and after each use to remove any visible soiling.Full clean weekly even if not used | Full clean daily and after each use to remove any visible soiling.Full clean fortnightly even if not used | Full clean daily and after each use to remove any visible soiling.Full clean fortnightly even if not used | Full clean daily and after each use to remove any visible soiling.Full clean monthly even if not used | N/A |
| 7 | Medical equipment, for example intravenous infusion pumps, drip stands and pulse oximeters, medical gas bottles and stands, walking aids.Refer to local protocol for medical equipment connected and not connected.to a patient | All parts including underneath should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or spillages | Full clean weekly regardless of use including those in storage.Check clean before use.Clean after each use | Full clean weekly regardless of use including those in storage.Check clean before use.Clean after each use | Full clean weekly regardless of use including those in storage.Check clean before use.Clean after each use | Full clean weekly regardless of use including those in storage.Check clean before use.Clean after each use | Full clean weekly regardless of use including those in storage.Check clean before use.Clean after each use | Full clean weekly regardless of use including those in storage.Check clean before use.Clean after each use |
| 8 | Wheelchairs (organisation owned)Refer to local protocol | All parts should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, stains, or spillages | Full clean weeklyAfter each use conduct touch point clean and remove any visible soiling | Full clean weeklyAfter each use conduct touch point clean and remove any visible soiling | Full clean weeklyAfter each use conduct touch point clean and remove any visible soiling | Full clean weeklyAfter each use conduct touch point clean and remove any visible soiling | Full clean weeklyAfter each use conduct touch point clean and remove any visible soiling | Full clean weeklyAfter each use conduct touch point clean and remove any visible soiling |
| 9 | Patient fans – with accessible bladeRefer to local risk assessment and protocol.Refer to CAS alert | All parts including the blades / fins and the underside should be visibly clean with no blood and bodilysubstances, dust, dirt, debris or spillages | Frequency determined by local risk assessment and protocol | Frequency determined by local risk assessment and protocol | Frequency determined by local risk assessment and protocol | Frequency determined by local risk assessment and protocol | Frequency determined by local risk assessment and protocol | Frequency determined by local risk assessment and protocol |
| 10 | Patient TV and bedside entertainment systems including head pieces | All parts of the patient TV and entertainment systems should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or stains | Full clean after dischargeOne check clean dailyAdditionally, for multi-user equipment clean touch points daily, for example remote controls | Full clean after dischargeOne check clean dailyAdditionally, for multi-user equipment clean touch points daily, for example remote controls | Full clean after dischargeOne check clean dailyAdditionally, for multi-user equipment clean touch points daily, for example remote controls | Full clean after dischargeOne check clean dailyAdditionally, for multi-user equipment clean touch points daily, for example remote controls | Full clean after dischargeOne check clean dailyAdditionally, for multi-user equipment clean touch points daily, for example remote controls | Full clean after dischargeOne check clean dailyAdditionally, for multi-user equipment clean touch points daily, for example remote controls |
| 11 | Notes and drugs trolleys and patient clipboards | All parts including underneath and inside of the notes trolley should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or spillages | Full clean weekly and following discharge.Clean touch points daily | Full clean weekly and following discharge.Clean touch points daily | Full clean fortnightly and following discharge.Clean touch points daily | Full clean fortnightly and following discharge.Clean touch points daily | Full clean fortnightly and following discharge.Clean touch points daily | Full clean fortnightly and following discharge.Clean touch points daily |
| 12 | All chairs and couches (soft furniture) | All parts should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, stains, or spillages | Full clean daily1 check clean daily of touch points (chair arms and seat) | Full clean daily including touch points (chair arms and seat) | Full clean daily including touch points (chair arms and seat) | Full clean weekly | Full clean monthly | Full clean monthly |
| 13 | Patient beds – frame, wheels, castors, head, foot, cot sides, nurse call and control panels, including carers beds in the clinical area.Non-patient beds, including on-call beds – clean as per local protocol | Frame (top and bottom), wheels, castors, head, foot, cot sides, nurse call and control panels should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages | Full clean frame top daily including touch points (bed rails and nurse call button)Full clean frame bottom weekly+ Full clean on patient discharge | Full clean frame top daily including touch points (bed rails and nurse call button)Full clean frame bottom weekly+ Full clean on patient discharge | Full clean frame top weekly including touch points (bed rails and nurse call button)Full clean frame bottom weekly+ Full clean on patient discharge | Full clean frame top weekly including touch points (bed rails and nurse call button)Full clean frame bottom weekly+ Full clean on patient discharge | Full clean frame top fortnightly including touch points (bed rails and nurse call button)+ Full clean on patient discharge | Full clean frame top monthly including touch points (bed rails and nurse call button)+ Full clean on patient discharge |
| 14 | Patient bed and trolley mattressesRefer to local protocol for inspection of mattress integrity and ingression | Mattress should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages | Clean in line with local protocol+ Full clean on patient discharge | Clean in line with local protocol+ Full clean on patient discharge | Clean in line with local protocol+ Full clean on patient discharge | Clean in line with local protocol+ Full clean on patient discharge | Clean in line with local protocol+ Full clean on patient discharge | Clean in line with local protocol+ Full clean on patient discharge |
| 15 | Patient trolleys and treatment couchesTrolleys with X-ray storage and oxygen cylinders clean according to local protocol | Patient trolleys and treatment couches should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, stains, or spillages | Full clean daily+ Full clean between patient use | Check clean daily.+ Full clean between patient use | Full clean weekly+ Patient touch points between each use | Check clean weekly.+ Full clean between patient use | Check clean weekly.+ Full clean between patient use | Check clean weekly.+ Full clean between patient use |
| 16 | Patient toys (premises owned)Refer to local protocol and risk assessment | Patient toys should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, stains, or spillages | Recommend cleaning weekly using an appropriate cleaning solution and following local protocol | Recommend cleaning weekly using an appropriate cleaning solution and following local protocol | Recommend cleaning weekly using an appropriate cleaning solution and following local protocol | Recommend cleaning weekly using an appropriate cleaning solution and following local protocol | Recommend cleaning weekly using an appropriate cleaning solution and following local protocol | Recommend cleaning weekly using an appropriate cleaning solution and following local protocol |
| 17 | Switches, sockets and data points, trunking, handrails, and wall fixtures | All wall fixtures, for example switches, sockets, and data points, should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages | Full clean daily including touch points (light switches / pulls, handrails, lift buttons / plates and hand dryer buttons)+ 1 check clean daily | Full clean daily including touch points (light switches / pulls, handrails, lift buttons / plates and hand dryer buttons) | Full clean twice weekly + daily check clean of touch points (light switches /pulls, handrails, lift buttons / plates and hand dryer buttons) | Full clean weekly including touch points (light switches / pulls, handrails, lift buttons / plates and hand dryer buttons) | Full clean monthly + weekly check clean of touch points weekly (light switches / pulls, handrails, lift buttons / plates and hand dryer buttons) | Full clean monthly + weekly check clean of touch points weekly (light switches / pulls, handrails, lift buttons / plates and hand dryer buttons) |
| 18 | Walls – accessible up to two meters | All wall surfaces including skirting should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages | Full clean annually+ 1 check daily (leading to a clean of soiled areas only) | Full clean annuallyOne check daily (leading to a clean of soiled areas only) | Full clean annuallyOne check daily (leading to a clean of soiled areas only) | Full clean annuallyOne check daily (leading to a clean of soiled areas only) | Full clean annuallyOne check bi-monthly patient areas (leading to a clean of soiled areas only) | Full clean annuallyOne check 6 monthly (leading to a clean of soiled areas only) |
| 19 | Ceilings and walls – not accessible above 2 metres and ceiling lights | All ceilings and wall surfaces including coving should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages | Full clean annually+ Check clean as required (leading to a clean of soiled areas only) | Full clean annually | Full clean annually | Full clean every 2 years | Full clean every 3 years (patient areas only) | Full clean every 3 years (patient areas only) |
| 20 | Floor – hard including skirtings | The complete floor including all edges and corners should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris or spillages.Machine-clean at a frequency to maintain the standard | Full clean daily+ 2 check cleans daily | Full clean daily+ 1 check clean daily | Full clean daily | Full clean daily | Full clean weekly | Full clean fortnightly |
| 21 | Floor – soft including skirtings | The complete floor including all edges and corners should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or spillages | Full clean daily + 2 check cleans.Carpet shampooing should be conducted at a frequency to maintain the standard | Full clean daily + 1 check cleanCarpet shampooing should be conducted at a frequency to maintain the standard | Full clean dailyCarpet shampooing should be conducted at a frequency to maintain the standard | Full clean dailyCarpet shampooing should be conducted at a frequency to maintain the standard | Full clean fortnightlyCarpet shampooing should be conducted at a frequency to maintain the standard | Full clean monthlyCarpet shampooing should be conducted at a frequency to maintain the standard |
| 22 | All doors including ventilation grilles | All parts of the door structure should be visibly clean so that all door surfaces, vents, frames, and jambs have no blood or bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages | Full clean daily, including handles and touch points | Full clean daily, including handles and touch points | Full clean daily, including handles and touch points | Full clean weekly | Full clean monthly | Full clean monthly |
| 23 | All windows, including frames where accessible | All windows should be visibly clean and smear-free with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages.They should have a uniform shine and appearance | Full clean every 6 months | Full clean every 6 months | Full clean every 6 months | Full clean every 6 months | Full clean every 6 months | Full clean every 6 months |
| 24 | All internal glazing including partitions (excluding mirrors and windows) | All internal glazed surfaces should be visibly clean and smear-free with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape or spillages.They should have a uniform shine and appearance | Full clean daily | Full clean weekly | Full clean weekly | Full clean fortnightly | Check clean monthly | Check clean bi- monthly |
| 25 | Mirrors | Mirrors should be visibly clean and smear-free with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages | Full clean daily+ 1 check clean daily | Full clean daily | Full clean daily | Full clean daily | Full clean daily in sanitary areas and all other areas weekly | Full clean daily in sanitary areas and all other areas weekly |
| 26 | Dispenser cleaning – hand wash, hand sanitisers, paper towel holders, toilet roll holders, all alcohol dispensers, and hand dryers, including glove and apron dispensers.Replenish as required | All parts of the surfaces of hand soap, paper towel containers should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages | Full clean external surfaces dailyFull clean internally on replenishment, a minimum of weekly | Full clean external surfaces dailyFull clean internally on replenishment, a minimum of weekly | Full clean external surfaces dailyFull clean internally on replenishment, a minimum of weekly | Full clean external surfaces dailyFull clean internally on replenishment, a minimum of weekly | Full clean external surfaces dailyFull clean internally on replenishment, a minimum of weekly | Full clean external surfaces dailyFull clean internally on replenishment, a minimum of weekly |
| 27 | All elements of showers | All shower elements and shower chairs, should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, scum, dust, limescale, stains, deposit, or smears | Full clean daily including touch points (tap/ shower handles)+ 1 check clean daily including touch points (tap / shower handles)+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap / shower handles)+ 1 check clean daily including touch points (tap / shower handles)+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap/ shower handles)+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap/ shower handles)+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap / shower handles)+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean weekly including touch points (tap / shower handles)+ Descale as local protocol |
| 28 | Toilets, bidets, urinals, and toilet brushes | All surfaces of toilets, bidets, urinals, and toilet brushes should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, scum, dust, limescale, stains, deposit or smears.Toilet brushes should be replaced in line with local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (flush handles)+ 2 check cleans daily including touch points (flush handles)+ Descale as local protocol.**NB: during outbreaks consideration should be given together with IPC guidance to cleaning / wipe down of patient sanitary ware after each use** | Full clean daily including touch points (flush handles)+ 1 check clean daily including touch points (flush handles)+ Descale as local protocol.**NB: during outbreaks consideration should be given together with IPC guidance to cleaning / wipe down of patient sanitary ware after each use** | Full clean daily including touch points (flush handles)+ 1 check clean daily including touch points (flush handles)+ Descale as local protocol.**NB: during outbreaks consideration should be given together with IPC guidance to cleaning / wipe down of patient sanitary ware after each use** | Full clean daily including touch points (flush handles)+ Descale as local protocol.**NB: during outbreaks consideration should be given together with IPC guidance to cleaning / wipe down of patient sanitary ware after each use** | Full clean daily including touch points (flush handles)+ Descale as local protocol.**NB: during outbreaks consideration should be given together with IPC guidance to cleaning / wipe down of patient sanitary ware after each use** | Full clean daily including touch points (flush handles)+ Descale as local protocol.**NB: during outbreaks consideration should be given together with IPC guidance to cleaning / wipe down of patient sanitary ware after each use** |
| 29 | Sinks and taps | Sinks and taps should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, limescale, stains or spillages.Plugholes and overflows should be free from build-up | Full clean daily including touch points (tap handles)+ 2 check cleans daily including touch points (tap handles)+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap handles)+ 1 check cleans daily including touch points (tap handles)+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap handles)+ 1 check cleans daily including touch points (tap handles)+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap handles)+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap handles)+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap handles)+ Descale as local protocol |
| 30 | Baths and taps | Whole surface of the bath and taps should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, limescale, stains or spillages.Plugholes and overflow should be free from build-up | Full clean daily including touch points (tap handles)+ 1 check clean daily+ Between patients+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap handles)+ Between patients+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap handles)+ Between patients+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap handles)+ Between patients+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean daily including touch points (tap handles)+ Between patients+ Descale as local protocol | Full clean weekly including touch points (tap handles)+ Between patients+ Descale as local protocol |
| 31 | Radiators including cover | All parts of the radiator including covers (including between panels) should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive, tape, or spillages | Full clean daily external onlyInside cover – full clean as local protocol | Full clean weekly external onlyInside cover – full clean as local protocol | Full clean weekly external onlyInside cover – full clean as local protocol | Full clean fortnightly external onlyInside cover – full clean as local protocol | Full clean monthly external onlyInside cover – full clean as local protocol | Full clean quarterly external onlyInside cover – full clean as local protocol |
| 32 | Low surfaces - low level pipes and, low level trunking | All surfaces should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages | Full clean daily | Full clean weeklyOne check clean daily | Full clean weekly | Full clean fortnightlyOne check clean weekly | Full clean monthly | Full clean 6 monthly |
| 33 | Middle surfaces – windowsills, non-patient furniture, tables, desks, shelves and ledges, work surfaces and cupboard exteriorsThis does not include items covered by other elements in this list; that is, switches and sockets | All surfaces should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages | Full clean daily including touch pointsPatient dining tables full clean after each meal service | Full clean weekly including touch points.Patient dining tables full clean after each meal service | Full clean weekly including touch points.Patient dining tables full clean after each meal service | Full clean fortnightlyPatient dining tables full clean after each meal service | Full clean monthly including touch points.Patient dining tables full clean after each meal service | Full clean bi- monthly including touch points.Patient dining tables full clean after each meal service |
| 34 | High surfaces including curtain rails, staff locker tops that are accessible, and high surfaces around patient bed areas | All surfaces should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, or spillages | Full clean daily | Full clean weekly | Full clean weekly | Full clean fortnightly | Full clean monthly | Full clean monthly |
| 35 | Bedside lockers | All parts of the interior and exterior locker, including wheels, castors and inside should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt debris adhesive tape stains or spillages | Full exterior clean daily including touch points (locker handles) + 1 check clean dailyFull exterior and interior clean on discharge | Full exterior clean daily including touch points (locker handles) + 1 check clean dailyFull exterior and interior clean on discharge | Full exterior clean weekly including touch points (locker handles)Full exterior and interior clean on discharge | Full exterior clean weekly including touch points (locker handles)Full exterior and interior clean on discharge | Full exterior and interior clean on discharge | Full exterior and interior clean on discharge |
| 36 | Over bed tables and dining tables | All parts of the table (including wheels, castors, and underneath) should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, adhesive tape, stains, or spillages | Full clean daily including touch pointsWipe top after each meal.Full clean weekly wheels / castorsFull clean on patient discharge | Full clean daily including touch pointsWipe top after each meal.Full clean weekly wheels / castorsFull clean on patient discharge | Full clean weekly including touch points.Wipe top after each meal.Full clean weekly wheels / castorsFull clean on patient discharge | Full clean weekly including touch points.Wipe top after each meal.Full clean weekly wheels / castorsFull clean on patient discharge | Full clean monthly including touch points, wheels and castors.Wipe top after each meal | Full clean monthly including touch points, wheels and castors.Wipe top after each meal |
| 37 | All waste receptacles (does not include euro/wheelie bin) | The waste receptacle should be visibly clean including lid and pedal with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, stains, or spillages.Receptacles should be emptied frequently and not allowed to overflow.Bags should be replaced / changed as necessary | Full clean daily of external surfaces+ 1 check clean daily | Full clean daily of external surfaces+ 1 check clean daily | Full clean daily of external surfaces+ 1 check clean daily | Full clean weekly of external surfaces+ 1 check clean daily | Full clean weekly of external surfaces+ 1 check clean daily | Full clean monthly of external surfaces+ 1 check clean daily |
| 38 | Linen and general- purpose trolleys | All parts including underneath of the linen trolley should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or spillages | Full clean weekly to include wheels.+ Touch points daily | Full clean weekly to include wheels | Full clean weekly to include wheels | Full clean weekly to include wheels | Full clean monthly to include wheels | Full clean monthly to include wheels |
| 39 | Replenishment of consumables | Always adequate quantity of consumable products, including hand hygiene products and toilet paper | Check and replenish 3 x daily | Check and replenish 3 x daily | Check and replenish 3 x daily | Check and replenish daily | Check and replenish daily | Check and replenish daily |
| 40 | Ventilation grilles extracts and inlets | All external visible parts of the ventilation grill should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or cobwebs | Full clean weeklyVisual check dailyInternal cleaning as local protocol | Full clean weeklyVisual check dailyInternal cleaning as local protocol | Full clean monthlyVisual check weeklyInternal cleaning as local protocol | Full clean monthlyVisual check weeklyInternal cleaning as local protocol | Full clean 6 monthlyVisual check quarterlyInternal cleaning as local protocol | Full clean 6 monthlyVisual check quarterlyInternal cleaning as local protocol |
| 41 | Lighting including overhead, bedside, wall- mounted examination lights both fixed and portable | All surfaces of the lights should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or cobwebs | Full clean dailyPatient bedside lights to be cleaned on discharge | Full clean dailyPatient bedside lights to be cleaned on discharge | Full clean dailyPatient bedside lights to be cleaned on discharge | Full clean weekly | Full clean monthly | Full clean monthly |
| 42 | Electrical items in multi-use areas – specifically computers and phones, for example at nurses’ station, computers on wheels (COWs) and workstations on wheels (WOWs), computer casing only | Casing of electrical items should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or adhesive tape | Full clean daily of touch pointsWeekly clean of COWs and WOWs | Full clean daily of touch pointsWeekly clean of COWs and WOWs | Full clean weekly of touch pointsMonthly clean of COWs and WOWs | Full clean weekly of touch pointsMonthly clean of COWs and WOWs | Full clean of fortnightly of touch points | Full clean monthly of touch points |
| 43 | Curtains and blinds (disposable and fabric) | Curtains / blinds should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, stains, or spillages | As per local curtain changing programme or change/clean when visibly soiled.6-monthly as a minimum | As per local curtain changing programme or change / clean when visibly soiled.6-monthly as a minimum | As per local curtain changing programme or change / clean when visibly soiled.Annually as a minimum | As per local curtain changing programme or change / clean when visibly soiled.2-yearly as a minimum | As per local curtain changing programme or change / clean when visibly soiled.2-yearly as a minimum | As per local curtain changing programme or change / clean when visibly soiled.2-yearly as a minimum |
| 44 | DishwashersDescale as per local protocol | Dishwashers should be visibly clean with no dust, dirt, debris, stains, spillages, or food debris.Catering department areas must comply with their local catering policy | Full clean weeklyCheck clean after each use.+ Periodic descale | Full clean weekly+ Periodic descale | Full clean weekly+ Periodic descale | Full clean weekly+ Periodic descale | Full clean monthly+ Periodic descale | Full clean monthly+ Periodic descale |
| 45 | Fridges and freezers (patient and staff areas) | Fridges and freezers should be visibly clean, dust, dirt, debris, spillages, food debris or build- up of ice.Catering department areas must comply with their local catering policy | Full clean weeklyOne check clean daily including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean weeklyOne check clean daily including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean weeklyOne check clean daily including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean fortnightlyOne check clean weekly including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean monthlyOne check clean weekly including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean bi- monthlyOne check clean weekly including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions |
| 46 | Fridges and freezers clinical (including but not limited to blood fridges, medicine fridges, ice freezers for physio departments) | Fridges and freezers should be visibly clean, dust, dirt, debris, blood and bodily substance spillages, food debris or build- up of ice | Full clean weekly1 check clean daily including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean weekly1 check clean daily including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean weekly1 check clean daily including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean fortnightly1 check clean weekly including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean monthly1 check clean weekly including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean bi- monthly1 check clean weekly including touch points (handles)Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions |
| 47 | Ice machines, hot water boilers and cold-water machines including drip trays.Follow local IPC guidelines.Follow local protocol for descaling | Ice machines, hot water boilers and cold-water machines should be visibly clean dust, dirt, debris, or spillages or limescale.Catering department areas must comply with their local catering policy | Full clean weekly1 check clean daily of external areas including drip trays and touch points (buttons and levers)+ Periodic descale.Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean weekly1 check clean daily of external areas including drip trays and touch points (buttons and levers)+ Periodic descale.Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean weekly1 check clean daily of external areas including drip trays and touch points (buttons and levers)+ Periodic descale.Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean fortnightly1 check clean daily of external areas including drip trays and touch points (buttons and levers)+ Periodic descale.Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean monthly1 check clean weekly of external areas including drip trays and touch points (buttons and levers)+ Periodic descale.Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions | Full clean monthly1 check clean weekly of external areas including drip trays and touch points (buttons and levers)+ Periodic descale.Defrost according to manufacturer’s instructions |
| 48 | Kitchen cupboards | Kitchen cupboards should be visibly clean with no dust, dirt, debris, stains, spillages, or food debris.Catering department areas must comply with their local catering policy | Full clean monthly to include internal.One check clean daily of external surfaces | Full clean monthly to include internal.One check clean daily of external surfaces | Full clean monthly to include internal.One check clean daily of external surfaces | Full clean bi- monthly to include internal.One check clean daily of external surfaces | Full clean quarterly clean to include internal.One check clean weekly of touch points (handles) | Full clean 6 monthly clean to include internal.One check clean weekly of touch points (handles) |
| 49 | Microwaves and traditional cookers / ovens | All microwave and oven surfaces (inside and out) should be visibly clean with no dust, dirt, spillages, or food debris.Catering department areas must comply with their local catering policy. | Full clean daily including touch points (handles and buttons)Check clean following each mealtime.Cooker / oven full clean as local protocol | Full clean weekly1 check clean daily including touch points (handles and buttons)Check clean following each mealtime.Cooker / oven full clean as local protocol | Full clean weekly1 check clean daily including touch points (handles and buttons)Check clean following each mealtime.Cooker / oven full clean as local protocol | Full clean weekly including touch points (handles and buttons)Check clean following each mealtime.Cooker / oven full clean as local protocol | Full clean fortnightly touch points (handles and buttons)Check clean following each mealtime.Cooker / oven full clean as local protocol | Full clean monthly touch points (handles and buttons)Check clean following each mealtime.Cooker / oven full clean as local protocol |
| 50 | All cleaning equipment including cleaning trolley | Cleaning equipment should be visibly clean with no blood and bodily substances, dust, dirt, debris, or moisture | Full clean after each use | Full clean after each use | Full clean after each use | Full clean after each use | Full clean after each use | Full clean after each use |
| 51\* | External areas (including gate handles, door entry systems, seating, and bins) | All areas should be visibly clear of debris and clean, with no evidence of blood or bodily fluids, substances, dust, dirt, stains, or spillages / splashes | N/A | N/A | Local protocol | Local protocol | Local protocol | Local protocol |
| 52\* | External signage | All areas should be visibly clear of debris and clean, with no evidence of blood or bodily fluids, substances, dust, dirt, stains, or spillages / splashes | N/A | N/A | Local protocol | Local protocol | Local protocol | Local protocol |
| 53\* | Vehicle exterior (including exterior panels, windscreen, windows and glass, lights, indicators, mirrors, number plates and wheels) | All areas should be visibly clear of debris and clean, with no evidence of blood or bodily fluids, substances, dust, dirt, stains, or spillages / splashes | N/A | N/A | Weekly and full deep clean every 6 weeks (or local protocol) | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 54\* | Exterior vehicle cupboards (including removing contents) | All areas should be visibly clear of debris and clean, with no evidence of blood or bodily fluids, substances, dust, dirt, stains, or spillages / splashes | N/A | N/A | Full deep clean every 6 weeks (or local protocol) | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 55\* | Cab area – cab floor and footwell, internal doors and pockets, cab seats (front, back and underneath), seatbelts, doors and pockets, dashboard and steering wheel, instrument panel, centre console (including radios and mobile phone) | All areas should be visibly clear of debris and clean, with no evidence of blood or bodily fluids, substances, dust, dirt, stains, or spillages / splashes | N/A | N/A | Weekly and full deep clean every 6 weeks (or local protocol) | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 56\* | Cab area – roof panels, side, and back panels | All areas should be visibly clear of debris and clean, with no evidence of blood or bodily fluids, substances, dust, dirt, stains, or spillages / splashes | N/A | N/A | Full deep clean every 6 weeks (or local protocol) | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 57\* | Patient area / saloon – patient entrance, steps, floor, and door well, interior cupboard facia, cleaning of all visible surfaces, suction unit, trolley bed, stretchers and chairs, removal of linen and clinical waste  | All areas should be visibly clear of debris and clean, with no evidence of blood or bodily fluids, substances, dust, dirt, stains, or spillages / splashes | N/A | N/A | At least once per shift and after every patient contact. Removal of linen and clinical waste as per local protocol. Weekly and full deep clean every 6 weeks (or local protocol) | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 58\* | Patient area / saloon – interior cupboards, contents removed, clean interior, side panels, ceilings, windows, glass and blinds, interior lighting, patient seating and seat frames including seat belts, oxygen bottles, scoop stretcher removal and clean, fire extinguisher, life pack 12/15/1000, response bag internal and external, general splints / FRAC packs, wheelchair, spinal boards and pads | All areas should be visibly clear of debris and clean, with no evidence of blood or bodily fluids, substances, dust, dirt, stains, or spillages / splashes | N/A | N/A | Weekly and full deep clean every 6 weeks (or local protocol) | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 59\* | Patient area / saloon – tail lift ramp, grab rails and saloon tracks | All areas should be visibly clear of debris and clean, with no evidence of blood or bodily fluids, substances, dust, dirt, stains, or spillages / splashes | N/A | N/A | Full deep clean every 6 weeks (or local protocol) | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 60\* | Decontamination cleaning  | All areas should be visibly clear of debris and clean, with no evidence of blood or bodily fluids, substances, dust, dirt, stains, or spillages / splashes | N/A | N/A | As and when required – to be performed at the nearest available station or cleaning area | N/A | N/A | N/A |