



Cleaning and Disinfecting Policy

Only disinfectants and cleaning supplies that are safe for dogs should be used. Avoid using bleach, ammonia, or any products with strong fragrances.

Daily Cleaning

Daily cleaning tasks should be documented on a checklist. This checklist can also assist a backup caregiver, such as Lennie, during emergencies if I become unwell.

Every morning when I get up to take care of the dogs, I need to check their beds and the room they have been sleeping in. I should clean up any excrement or urine immediately, using disinfectant and wearing gloves. I should use a cloth that can be disposed of without delay and the poo should be placed in a sealable bag and be put straight into the outdoor poo bin.

Every day, I must clean and wash the dog bowls with hot soapy water and then sanitize them in the dishwasher. Daily, I should also sweep or vacuum every area. The floors must be mopped and sanitized with pet-safe disinfectant. During this process, the dogs should be kept out of the room and are not allowed to return until the floor is completely dry.

Each day, blankets and bedding should be cleaned, along with any toys that have been used by the dogs. If the bedding is soiled and cannot be salvaged, it should be placed in a sealed bag for disposal. However, if it can be washed, it should be laundered separately. Afterward, run a cycle with washing cleaner in the machine before resuming regular family laundry.

Daily, all surfaces should be wiped down, and any mud splashes on doors should

be cleaned immediately.

It's important to have dedicated mops and brushes for cleaning, which should be washed afterward in hot, soapy water or a dog-friendly detergent. After use, these items should be aired out outside.

Outdoor Areas

All pet waste should be collected promptly, bagged, and disposed of in the designated outdoor waste bin. The patio requires weekly disinfection with a pet-safe disinfectant. Additionally, it's important to inspect hidden spots, such as beneath the trampoline, for any waste. A risk assessment of the garden should also be conducted regularly to identify any broken toy pieces.

Isolation Cleaning

I must ensure that there is no cross-contamination with cleaning products. If cleaning occurs in an isolation room, I need to wear personal protective equipment (PPE), including gloves and an apron, while using veterinary-grade disinfectant to clean the area. The PPE should be disposed of in a sealed bag and placed in the outside bin. Additionally, a log should be maintained, and an incident form must be completed for this situation.



