## Why Wash Your Hands?

To remove or destroy potentially harmful microorganisms.

Areas frequently missed during handwashing

- Most frequently missed
  - Frequently missed
  - Less frequently missed



## When Must You Wash Your Hands?

Before...

Handling high risk area clothing.

Changing into high risk area clothing.

Putting on gloves.

Going into food handling areas.

Handling ready to eat food.

After...

Handling raw food.

Handling waste.

Using the toilet.

Blowing your nose.

Carrying out cleaning duties.

## HANDWASHING

How To Wash Your Hands...



Wet your hands

Add soap

Rub hands together, 5 times palm to palm

Left palm over back of right hand, then right palm over back of left, 5 times Palm to palm 5 times, fingers interlaced Backs of fingers to opposing palms with fingers interlocked, 5 times

Clasp right thumb in left palm and twist 5 times, and vice versa Using a circular motion rub fingertips of right hand in left palm and vice versa, 5 times Rinse with fresh running water

Dry ideally with a disposable paper towel or single use towel

Apply hand sanitiser (e.g. alcoholic hand rub) and use the same sequence, numbers 3–8 rubbing hands together until dry

## When Using Gloves...

- 1 Wash and sanitise your hands as above.
- 2 Put on gloves, taking care not to tear them.
- 3 Remove gloves when leaving

- the line or before handling non-food items.
- 4 Always change your gloves if there are any holes or tears, and report them to a line manager.
- 5 Dispose of gloves safely.
- 6 Thoroughly wash, dry and sanitise hands before re-applying a new pair of gloves.

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