

Signage for disinfection points at kindergartens

In order to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 infection, all indoor public spaces and premises which are used for providing services must be equipped with disinfectants at entry and exit points as a minimum.

A disinfection point is a spot in a public area which is equipped with a disinfectant which can be used by staff and parents alike for sanitising their hands. Disinfectants may be made available at a disinfection point, either in the original packaging or in a refillable dispenser or other such equipment.

The disinfectants for sanitising hands must be provided at the entry and exits points of the premises. Disinfectants should be accessible by adults, but should remain out of the reach of children. For example, disinfectants may be placed on a wall or an item of furniture where children cannot reach them. Children may not have unsupervised access to disinfectants. Hand-washing should always be preferred to sanitising in the case of children if at all possible.

Any cleaning and disinfection products which are designed for cleaning the premises must be stored in a locked cabinet or room. Disinfectants must always be used by observing the user instructions which are provided on the label. This will ensure the safety of individuals who will subsequently come into contact with the cleaned surfaces. Unregistered or untested disinfectants may not actually contain any disinfecting properties and may not offer protection to the user. For this reason such disinfectants must not be used.

All disinfection points must be equipped with information about the disinfectant which must be displayed in a visible place. This information is required to allow the user to make an informed choice when using the disinfectants that are being provided (such as, for example, making it possible to prevent contact with allergens). The requirements for information about disinfectants which must be provided arise from the Biocidal Products Act and the Biocidal Products Regulation.

If a disinfectant is provided in its original packaging, the required information is printed on the label so no further actions needs to be taken in this regard.

If a dispenser or other such dispensing equipment is used for the disinfectant so that the required information on the label is covered, that information must be displayed separately on the equipment. If different disinfectants are being used at the disinfection point at different times of the day or week, the information must be updated if necessary. Information which must be displayed at disinfection points can be found on the labelling for the disinfectant that is being used to supply the respective disinfection point.

The information being displayed at disinfection points must include details that come from the labelling on the disinfectant, with the following information being highlighted:

- Name and registration certificate or permit number for the disinfectant
- Name and concentration levels of the active ingredient
- Information about hazards (hazard class label elements)
- User instructions

In the event a disinfectant being found which does not have a registration certificate or permit number, or a disinfectant which appears to be suspicious, please send a complaint to the Health Board via its general email address: info@terviseamet.ee.

Further information about information which must be displayed at disinfection points is available on the Health Board's website: www.terviseamet.ee/et/kemikaaliohutus-tooteohutus/kemikaalikaitlejale/biotsiid/margistus