

Cleaning and Disinfecting Berliner Play Equipment

First and foremost, please follow the CDC guidelines for maintaining safe practices that reduce the potential for exposure to COVID-19:

- Stay home if you are sick or do not feel well.
- Use social distancing to maintain a distance of 6 feet between others.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or inside of elbow.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol and rub hands together.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Use masks, however, masks should not be placed on:
 - Babies or children younger than 2 years old
 - Anyone who has trouble breathing
 - Anyone who cannot remove the mask without assistance

Please refer to the Center for Disease Control's (CDC) Reopening Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting Public Spaces guidelines to clean and disinfect your play equipment.

- Clean the surface with soap and low-pressure water prior to disinfection. Normal routine cleaning with soap and water removes germs and dirt from surfaces.
- Disinfecting kills germs on surfaces. If possible, please use EPA-approved disinfectants. A list of EPA-approved disinfectants can be found on the CDC website. If disinfectants are not available, alternative disinfectants can be used (for example, 1/3 cup of bleach added to 1 gallon of water).
- Please follow the recommendations of the disinfectant manufacturer for proper storage and application.
- Make sure disinfectant has thoroughly dried before allowing children to play.

Specifics for cleaning Berliner Play Equipment:

- Bleach solutions may damage wood or bamboo. Use a disinfectant solution containing 60% to no more than 70% alcohol on these surfaces.
- Rope may be cleaned using antiviral disinfectant solutions containing 60% to no more than 70% alcohol.

