
1. PURPOSE

This Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) describes the procedures for the routine cleaning of operating rooms and surgical support rooms.

2. RESPONSIBILITY

Veterinary care staff, animal care staff.

3. MATERIALS

3.1. Disinfectant solution

4. OPERATING ROOM MAINTENANCE

4.1. After each procedure (rodents):

- 4.1.1. Disinfect all work surfaces, biological safety cabinet and any equipment used (e.g., warming pad, anesthetic machine) with disinfectant solution.
- 4.1.2. Collect all instruments used, remove organic material and disinfect them prior to sterilization.

4.2. After each procedure (large animals):

- 4.2.1. Disinfect all work surfaces, surgical tables, surgical lamps, and any other equipment used (e.g., circulating warm water pad, anesthetic machines).
- 4.2.2. Collect all instruments used, remove organic material and disinfect them prior to sterilization.
- 4.2.3. Collect dirty laundry (drapes, gowns, etc.) and place in the appropriate receptacle for washing.

4.3. Daily:

- 4.3.1. Sweep and mop after activities if necessary.
- 4.3.2. Empty garbage containers and dispose of biohazard or sharps containers if full.

4.4. Weekly:

- 4.4.1. Disinfect all work surfaces, surgical tables and lamps and equipment with disinfectant solution.
- 4.4.2. Sweep and mop floors.
- 4.4.3. Empty garbage containers and dispose of biohazard or sharps containers if full.
- 4.4.4. Restock supplies.

4.5. Monthly:

- 4.5.1. Wipe down all surfaces such as, doors, doorjambes and doorknobs, windows, cart tops, shelves, etc. with the disinfectant solution.
- 4.5.2. Clean room exhaust grills.
- 4.5.3. Clean biosafety cabinets: remove filters, vacuum and drain.

4.6. Bi-annually:

- 4.6.1. Wash all walls and windows with disinfectant solution.

5. SURGICAL SUPPORT ROOMS MAINTENANCE

- 5.1. Surgical support rooms are typically only used for procedures involving large animals and include the surgeon's preparation area (i.e., scrub room) and the animal preparation area (i.e., pre-op room).
- 5.2. After each procedure or between procedures:
 - 5.2.1. Disinfect all work surfaces, tables and equipment used (e.g., circulating warm water pad, shaver, anesthetic machine).
 - 5.2.2. Collect all instruments used, remove organic material and disinfect them prior to sterilization.
 - 5.2.3. Collect dirty laundry (drapes, gowns, etc.) and place in the appropriate receptacle for washing.
- 5.3. Daily:
 - 5.3.1. Empty garbage containers and dispose of biohazard or sharps containers if full.
- 5.4. Weekly:
 - 5.4.1. Disinfect all work surfaces, surgical tables and lamps and equipment.
 - 5.4.2. Sweep and mop floors.
 - 5.4.3. Empty garbage containers and dispose of biohazard or sharps containers if full.
 - 5.4.4. Restock supplies.
- 5.5. Monthly:
 - 5.5.1. Wipe down all surfaces such as, doors, doorjambes and doorknobs, sinks, windows, cart tops, shelves, etc. with the disinfectant solution.
 - 5.5.2. Clean room exhaust grills.
- 5.6. Bi-annually:
 - 5.6.1. Wash all walls with disinfectant solution.