

MUSC

Kiawah Short Term Rental/Hotel General COVID Guide

These guidelines are broad and are meant to serve as a basis for which to enhance the safety of Kiawah guests and employees. Individualized consultation with MUSC or other health authorities are encouraged in addition to these guidelines.

APPENDIX 1:

Specific Cleaning Guidelines Regarding Timing and Cleaning Crews.

Studies have shown that COVID-19 can survive in the air even after an infected individual leaves a room. The exact duration that the virus remains infective is currently unknown, although there are studies showing the half-life of the live virus is 1.5hrs in the air. It is our recommendation that as much time as possible pass between rentals, with 24hrs or greater being ideal. At a very minimum, we would not recommend cleaning crews enter within 1.5-3hrs of guests leaving. Other recommendations are as follows:

- Guests should be notified that other guests have occupied the space in the last 24 hours.
- The longest amount of time possible should be allowed for a room to sit prior to cleaning
- Windows and doors to the outside should be opened and remain open for as long as possible to increase air circulation between turn-over and during cleaning period (ideally, guests open windows before leaving if possible)
- HVAC air filters should be exchanged in between each guest if possible/practical. HEPA filters are preferred.
- Short-term rental owners should notify guests of any items that are not regularly disinfected in between guests (i.e. unused pots and pans) and guests should be advised to wash those items with soap and water prior to use

Cleaning staff should be provided the appropriate PPE and trained in donning and doffing safely

PPE if cleaning staff enters room after room sits for 24 hours includes:

- Regular facemask
- Gloves
- Eye-covering (face-shield or goggles)
- Long-sleeve disposable or launderable outer layer over clothing such as a gown or coveralls

PPE if cleaning staff enters room less than 24 hours from departure

- N95, KN95 or other CDC/FDA approved face covering as available
- Eye-covering (face-shield or goggles)
- Gloves
- Long-sleeve disposable or launderable outer layer over clothing such as a gown or coveralls

Cleaning crews may review the following two videos (medical grade) about donning and doffing PPE.

N95 - <https://youtu.be/BnXN1OD6VRw>

Full Gear - <https://youtu.be/bG6zISnenPg>