

# COVID-19 PPE for EMS

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Dispatch

Wear **GLOVES, SURGICAL MASK** and **EYE PROTECTION** on **ALL CALLS**  
(**FACE SHIELDS** preferred for eye protection)

**ONE PROVIDER** on scene **ASSESS** patient from >6 feet away  
Have the patient/bystanders don cloth or surgical mask for source control  
*No other providers should be brought into initial assessment unless clinically required*

Has the patient experienced any of the following symptoms in the past 48 hours?

- fever or chills
- cough
- shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- fatigue
- muscle or body aches
- headache
- new loss of taste or smell
- sore throat
- congestion or runny nose
- nausea or vomiting
- diarrhea

Within the past 14 days, have you been in close physical contact (6 feet or closer for a cumulative total of 15 minutes) with:

- Anyone who is known to have laboratory-confirmed COVID-19?

Are you isolating or quarantining because you may have been exposed to a person with COVID-19?

Are you currently waiting on the results of a COVID-19 test?

All routine calls



SURGICAL MASK



GLOVES



EYE PROTECTION

Answers "YES" to any screening questions



N95



GLOVES



EYE PROTECTION  
(FACE SHIELD preferred)

ANY Aerosolizing Procedures



N95



GLOVES



EYE PROTECTION  
(FACE SHIELD preferred)



GOWN

- Nebulizer
- CPAP
- Intubation
- SGA (LMA, King, etc.)
- Suctioning
- BVM
- CPR

Driving

1. **DON** all appropriate PPE on scene
2. **DOFF** all PPE **EXCEPT** mask **BEFORE** entering ambulance cab
3. Have PPE accessible from **exterior** of the ambulance
4. **DON** appropriate PPE again upon arrival at the hospital

After EVERY call

1. **Clean and disinfect** ambulance
2. Do off PPE
3. **Clean and disinfect** reusable PPE
4. Appropriately discard disposable PPE
5. Store face mask or N-95 if it will be re-used
6. Hand hygiene

## DONNING PPE

1. Gown
2. Mask
3. Goggles
4. Gloves

## DOFFING PPE

1. Remove Gloves
2. Remove Gown
3. Hand Hygiene
4. Don Fresh Gloves
5. Remove Goggles
6. Clean and disinfect Goggles (& reusable PPE)
7. Remove/Store Mask
8. Remove Gloves
9. Hand Hygiene

\*\*Agencies may adjust these recommendations based on risk assessment in their area, availability of PPE, or future CDC, WHO, or local health department recommendations.

\*\*This guidance derived from recommendations on CDC.gov on 12/04/2020 & WHO PPE for COVID guidance published 2/27/20.