

Cleaning WorkScreen

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The WorkScreen handset is based around a tablet-PC and is easier to clean than traditional audiometers: by removing the separate patient response button, WorkScreen avoids a significant source of potential contamination between users.

This document helps create a safe and hygienic WorkScreen testing environment by minimising opportunity for cross infection using the WorkScreen Handset.

Note that this document is NOT prepared or intended as clinical guidance. Please use the information here in support of official clinical guidance or policies. If you have any questions, please contact WorkScreen on 0117 2301717 or info@workscreenuk.co.uk.

Minimise Points of Contact and Opportunities for Transmission

Potential points for cross infection, transmission and contamination can include surfaces and shared spaces, where person-to-person transmission may occur – directly or indirectly.

- Set suitable distance between workers in waiting rooms and/or allow time between appointments.
- Clear and uncluttered spaces are easier to keep clean.
- Non-essential personnel should not be present.
- Personnel who are present should practice suitable hygiene measures.

Specific Recommendations

1. Users should be instructed to wash their hands before testing. Nitrile/similar gloves gloves may be provided and do not interfere with the test.
2. Ensure cleaning materials/fluids are plastic-safe - acetone-based cleaners may damage plastics.

Potential Point of Transmission	Preparation	Between Users	Notes
Room furnishings (e.g. door knobs, tables/ surfaces, chairs)	Declutter surfaces & remove non-essential materials. Use hard “easy clean” surfaces where possible. Clean surfaces.	Wipe surfaces with 70% IPA spray or similar to EN1276	Minimise/ prevent users bringing items into the test environment. Consider providing clear “freezer” bags per user for personal essentials (e.g. keys/phone)
Information & Leaflets (e.g. WorkScreen noise information sheet/ user guide)	“Encapsulate” or laminate information provided in non-absorbent & easy-clean wallet or similar. Consider sending information electronically in advance.	Wipe surfaces with 70% IPA spray or similar to EN1276	Pens or pencils should not be required, but may be provided and wiped between users to prevent users bringing their own.
WorkScreen Case	Set up the handset ready for use and positioned comfortably for all users	Wipe hard surfaces with 70% IPA spray or similar to EN1276	There is no requirement for users to touch the case.
WorkScreen Tablet/Screen	Set up the screen angle ready for use and positioned comfortably for all users	Wipe screen with 70% IPA spray or similar to EN1276. Dry with a clean tissue.	DO NOT SOAK/WET. Excess fluid must not enter microphone holes, switches or USB/Power leads.
WorkScreen Earphones	Position earphones ready for each user	Wipe ear cups, cushions and headband with suitable 70% IPA spray or similar to EN1276. Dry with a clean tissue.	Acoustically transparent earphone covers may also be used and changed between users.