

Leamington Mennonite Home
Long Term Care

**INFECTION CONTROL
POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

CATEGORY: Miscellaneous Cleaning	SUBJECT: Equipment Cleaning – Whirlpool Tub Cleaning & Purging	SECTION: K POLICY: 5
DATE: December 10, 2024	Administrator's Signature: _____ <i>J. Hill</i>	
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EQUIPMENT CLEANING – WHIRLPOOL TUB CLEANING & PURGING

POLICY:

In order to avoid contamination from one resident to another and to maintain asepsis it is imperative to provide regular cleansing and purging of the whirlpool tubs.

PROCEDURE:

Whirlpool Cleansing Between Baths

- 1) Rubber gloves, safety goggles and masks are to be worn during this procedure. They are available in each tub room.
- 2) When bath is finished, rinse tub with clean water to remove hair, soap scum, etc.
- 3) Close drain.
- 4) Using the showerhead located in the top of the tub that dispenses Arjo disinfectant, spray the entire inner surface of the tub and chair. Remove the white drain cover and insert the showerhead into the drain. Lock the showerhead into the drain by turning it to the right. Turn on the showerhead and let run until the disinfectant comes out the jet port.
- 5) Using the long handle white scrub brush, scrub the entire inner surface of the tub and chair.
- 6) Open drain.
- 7) Let stand for 10 minutes.
- 8) Rinse the tub thoroughly with clean water.

Bleach Purging of the Tub – Monday, Wednesday and Friday
(when bathing is complete for the day)

- 1) Rubber gloves, safety goggles and N95 masks are to be worn during this procedure. They are available in each tub room.
- 2) DO NOT PUT TUB CHAIR IN TUB.
- 3) Fill whirlpool tub with cold water to above the jets.
- 4) Pour in 1 cup of Bleach.
- 5) Run jets for 20 minutes. Let stand.
- 6) Night Float to drain tub and thoroughly rinse with clean water.
- 7) Let air dry. **DO NOT WIPE OUT AFTER CLEANING.**

ARJO Purging of the Tub with Chair - Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday
(when bathing is complete for the day)

- 1) Rubber gloves, safety goggles and N95 masks are to be worn during this procedure. They are available in each tub room.
- 2) Fill whirlpool tub with cold water to above the jets.
- 3) Immerse tub chair.
- 4) Pour in 2 cups of Arjo Disinfectant IV at full strength.
- 5) Run jets for 20 minutes. Let stand.
- 6) Night Float to drain tub and thoroughly rinse with clean water.
- 7) Let air dry. **DO NOT WIPE OUT AFTER CLEANING.**