



COVID-19 Guidance for In-Home Repair Services

OSHA is committed to protecting the health and safety of America's workers and workplaces during the COVID-19 pandemic. The agency is issuing a series of alerts to help keep workers safe.

Taking the following steps can help reduce the risk of exposure to the coronavirus for workers who perform in-home repair services:

- Instruct sick workers to stay home.
- Prior to arrival, ask if anyone in the house has been diagnosed with COVID-19 or exposed to an individual with COVID-19.
- Delay non-emergency work if someone is quarantining or isolating in the house. Follow all appropriate infection control measures if the work cannot be delayed.
- Provide and have all workers wear face coverings (i.e., cloth face coverings or surgical masks) that have at least two layers of tightly woven breathable fabric, unless their work task requires a respirator. Face coverings should be provided at no cost to workers.
- Instruct home occupants to wear face coverings during service.
- Ensure that workers wear gloves and clean and disinfect surfaces or equipment.
- Instruct workers to avoid shaking hands with customers or other occupants.
- Implement physically distancing practices to maintain at least six feet of distance between co-workers/contractors/customers.
- Use walls and closed doors to separate workers from occupants of the home or install plastic sheeting to close off areas of the home.
- Do not allow workers to share tools and equipment. If sharing cannot be eliminated, clean and disinfect between each use.
- Ensure policies encourage workers to report any safety and health concerns to a supervisor.

For the latest guidance and other resources on protecting workers from coronavirus, visit [OSHA's Protecting Workers Guidance](#).

OSHA issues alerts to draw attention to worker safety and health issues and solutions.