

## **Non-Sterile Exam Glove Selection Guide**

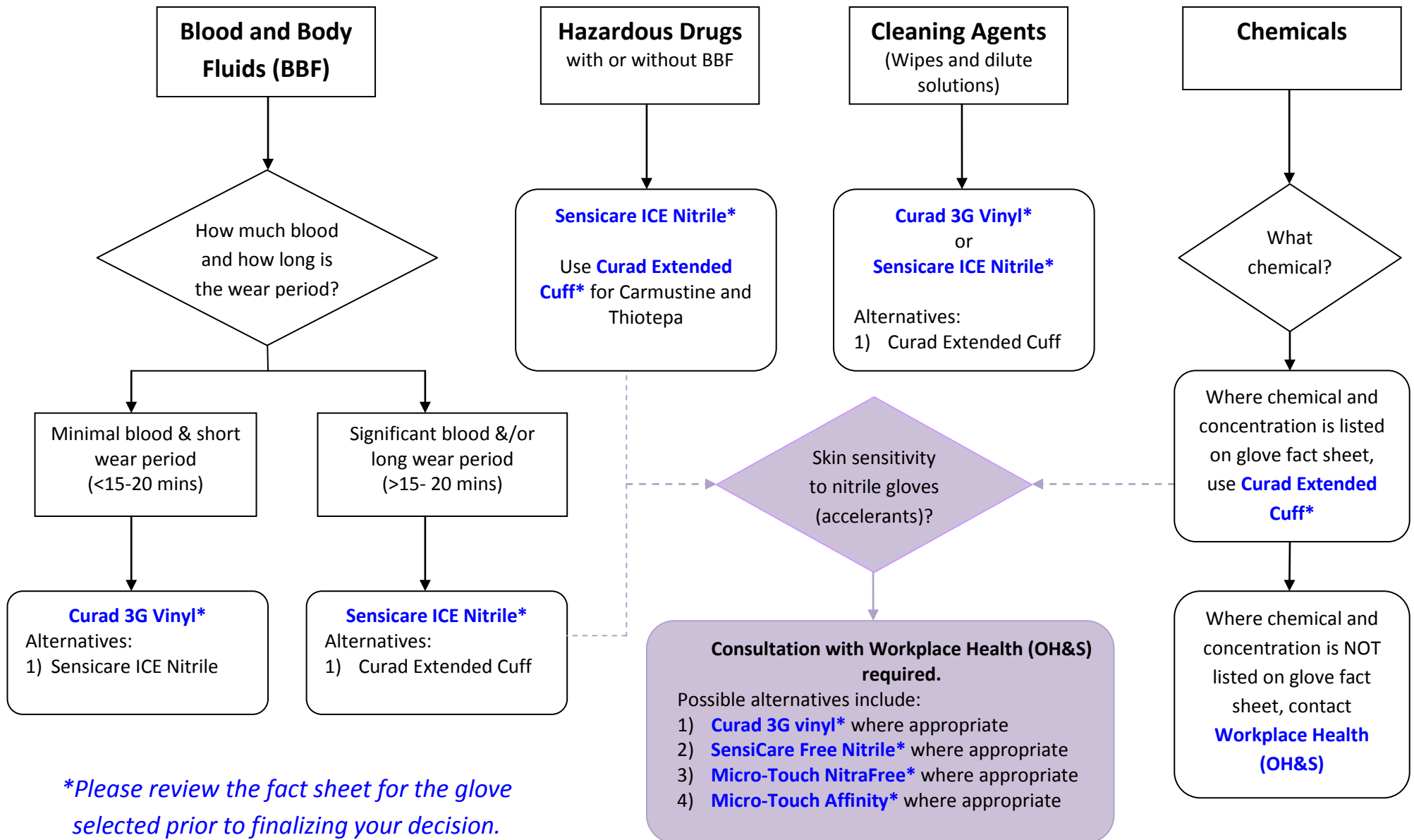
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Contained within this document:

- A decision tree for guidance on non-sterile exam glove selection.
- A fact sheet for each standardized non-sterile exam glove.
- Glove safety reminders.
- Ordering information.
- Workplace Health / Occupational Health & Safety contact information.
- References and compliance information.

## Decision Tree – What hazards do you need to protect yourself from using non-sterile exam gloves?



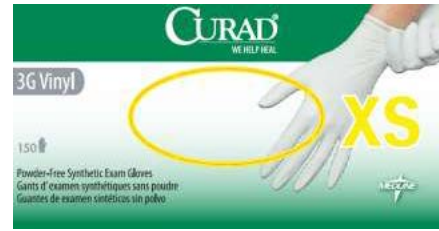
*\*Please review the fact sheet for the glove selected prior to finalizing your decision.*

## Curad 3G Vinyl Exam Glove

### Non-sterile, Powder-Free

Manufacturer: Medline, 9 inch cuff

Box Ref: XS CUR6073, S CUR6074, M CUR6075,  
L CUR6076, XL CUR6077



#### Recommended for:

Use	Hazard	Approved
<b>Patient Care</b> where contact is made with mucous membranes, body secretions and soiled equipment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bathing.</li> <li>Phlebotomies.</li> <li>Emptying catheter bags.</li> <li>NG insertion.</li> <li>Suctioning.</li> <li>Vaginal/rectal exams.</li> <li>Routine care of contact precaution patients.</li> </ul>	Blood and body fluid (BBF): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Small amounts of blood, and</li> <li>Short wear time (approximately 15-20 minutes)</li> </ul>	<b>Yes</b>
	Blood and body fluid: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Large amounts of blood, and/or</li> <li>Extended wear time (&gt; 20 minutes)</li> </ul>	<b>No</b> Use nitrile gloves

#### Also can be used for:

Use	Hazard	Approved
<b>Cleaning</b> with wipes and dilute solutions.  Note: Thicker chemical resistant gloves are required for concentrated cleaning solutions and when hands must be immersed for long periods of time.	Ammonium hydroxide, 28% Bleach, 10-13% Chlorhexidine digluconate, 4% (hand care) Cidex OPA Povidone iodine, 10% (wound care) Quaternary cleaner	<b>Yes</b> Change gloves at least every 10 minutes
	Accel Intervention wipes Caviwipes Isopropyl alcohol, 70% Oxivir TB wipes	<b>No</b> Contact Workplace Health (OH&S).

# Sensicare ICE Nitrile Exam Glove

## Non-sterile, Powder-Free

Manufacturer: Midline, 9 inch cuff

Box Ref: XS MDS6800, S MDS6801, M MDS6802, L MDS6803, XL MDS6804



### Recommended for:

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<p><b>Patient Care</b> where contact is made with mucous membranes, body secretions and soiled equipment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exposure to large amounts of blood and body secretions.</li> <li>High risk trauma patients in ED.</li> <li>Activity where integrity of the glove is likely to be stressed.</li> <li>Staff or patients that react to vinyl gloves.</li> </ul>	<p>Blood and body fluid, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Large amounts of blood, and/or</li> <li>Extended wear time (&gt;20 minutes)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes</b></p>																																										
<p><b>Hazardous Drugs</b> e.g. chemotherapy administration.</p> <p><i>These gloves have been tested against a broad range of hazardous drugs and thus are approved for use when handling any hazardous/cytotoxic drugs, <b>except</b> for Carmustine and Thiotepa.</i></p> <p><i>The specific hazardous drugs against which the gloves have been tested are listed.</i></p>	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>5-Azacytidine (25 mg/ml)</td> <td>Mechlorethamine HCl (1 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bleomycin (15 mg/ml)</td> <td>Melphalan (5 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bortezomib (1 mg/ml)</td> <td>Methotrexate (50 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Busulfan (6 mg/ml)</td> <td>Mitomycin C (0.5 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Carboplatin (10 mg/ml)</td> <td>Mitoxantrone (2 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cisplatin (1 mg/ml)</td> <td>Oxaliplatin (5 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cyclophosphamide (20 mg/ml)</td> <td>Paclitaxel (6 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cytarabine HCl (100 mg/ml)</td> <td>Pemetrexed (25 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dacarbazine (10 mg/ml)</td> <td>Raltitrexed (0.5 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Daunorubicin (5 mg/ml)</td> <td>Vinblastine (1 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Docetaxel (10 mg/ml)</td> <td>Vincristine sulfate (1 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Doxorubicin HCl (2 mg/ml)</td> <td>Vinorelbine (10 mg/ml)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Epirubicin (2 mg/ml)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Etoposide (20 mg/ml)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fludarabine (25 mg/ml)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fluorouracil (50 mg/ml)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ganciclovir (10 mg/ml)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gemcitabine (38 mg/ml)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Idarubicin (1 mg/ml)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ifosfamide (50 mg/ml)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Irinotecan (20 mg/ml)</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	5-Azacytidine (25 mg/ml)	Mechlorethamine HCl (1 mg/ml)	Bleomycin (15 mg/ml)	Melphalan (5 mg/ml)	Bortezomib (1 mg/ml)	Methotrexate (50 mg/ml)	Busulfan (6 mg/ml)	Mitomycin C (0.5 mg/ml)	Carboplatin (10 mg/ml)	Mitoxantrone (2 mg/ml)	Cisplatin (1 mg/ml)	Oxaliplatin (5 mg/ml)	Cyclophosphamide (20 mg/ml)	Paclitaxel (6 mg/ml)	Cytarabine HCl (100 mg/ml)	Pemetrexed (25 mg/ml)	Dacarbazine (10 mg/ml)	Raltitrexed (0.5 mg/ml)	Daunorubicin (5 mg/ml)	Vinblastine (1 mg/ml)	Docetaxel (10 mg/ml)	Vincristine sulfate (1 mg/ml)	Doxorubicin HCl (2 mg/ml)	Vinorelbine (10 mg/ml)	Epirubicin (2 mg/ml)		Etoposide (20 mg/ml)		Fludarabine (25 mg/ml)		Fluorouracil (50 mg/ml)		Ganciclovir (10 mg/ml)		Gemcitabine (38 mg/ml)		Idarubicin (1 mg/ml)		Ifosfamide (50 mg/ml)		Irinotecan (20 mg/ml)		<p><b>Yes</b> Single or double glove as per your procedures.</p> <p>Change gloves at least every 30 minutes.</p>
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	<p>Carmustine (3.3 mg/ml)* Thiotepa (10 mg/ml)*</p>	<p><b>No</b> Use <b>Curad Extended Cuff Nitrile</b> gloves.</p>																																										

Use	Hazard	Approved
<b>Cleaning</b> with wipes and dilute solutions.  Note: Thicker chemical resistant gloves are required for concentrated cleaning solutions and when hands must be immersed for long periods of time.	Accel Intervention wipes Ammonium hydroxide, 28% Bleach, 10-13% Caviwipes Chlorhexidine gluconate, 20% (hand care) Oxivir TB wipes Povidone iodine, 10% (wound care)	<b>Yes</b> Change gloves at least every 10 minutes.

\*If procedures exceed the recommended glove use time, VersaShield gloves are an alternative.

## Curad Extended Cuff Nitrile Exam Glove

### Non-sterile, Powder-Free

Manufacturer: Medline, 12 inch cuff

Box Ref: XS CUR7003, S CUR7004, M CUR7005, L CUR7006, XL CUR7007



#### Recommended for:

Use	Hazard	Approved	
<b>Chemical Handling</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Formalin use (e.g. pouring in ORs)</li> </ul> Note: Thicker chemical-resistant gloves are required for concentrated chemicals (such as acids) and when hands must be immersed for long periods of time.	Bleach, 10-13% Cidex OPA Citric acid, 70% Fentanyl Formaldehyde, 37% Formalin, 10% Glutaraldehyde, 4% Hydrazine, 35% Hydrogen peroxide, 30% Isopropyl alcohol, 90%	<b>Yes</b> Change gloves at least every 60 minutes.	
	Acetic acid Formic acid, 88% Isopropyl alcohol, 99%	Potassium hydroxide Povidone iodine, 10% (wound care) Sodium Hydroxide, 50% Triclosan <b>For other chemicals, contact Workplace Health (OH&amp;S).</b>	<b>Caution</b> Change gloves at least every 15 minutes.
	Acetone, 99% Chloroform, 99.8% Ethanol, 99.5% Methanol, 99.5% Phenol, 10% Toluene, 99.5% Xylene, 98.5%	<b>No</b> Contact Workplace Health (OH&S).	

### Also can be used for:

Use	Hazard		Approved
<b>Patient Care</b>	Blood and body fluids (BBF) Extended wear times (>20 minutes)		<b>Yes</b>
<b>Hazardous Drugs</b> e.g. chemotherapy administration.  <i>These gloves have been tested against a broad range of hazardous drugs and thus are approved for use when handling any hazardous/cytotoxic drugs.</i>  <i>*Note: duration of use with Carmustine should be limited to 15 minutes.</i>  <i>The specific hazardous drugs against which the gloves have been tested for are listed.</i>	Carboplatin (10 mg/ml) Cisplatin (1 mg/ml) Cyclophosphamide (20 mg/ml) Dacarbazine (10 mg/ml) Doxorubicin HCl (2 mg/ml) Etoposide (20 mg/ml) Fluorouracil (50 mg/ml) Ifosfamide (50 mg/ml)	Methotrexate (25 mg/ml) Mitomycin C (0.5 mg/ml) Mitoxantrone (2 mg/ml) Paclitaxel (6 mg/ml) Thiotepa (10 mg/ml) Vincristine sulfate (1 mg/ml)	<b>Yes</b> Single or double glove as per your procedures.  Change gloves at least every 30 minutes.
	Carmustine (3.3 mg/ml)*		<b>Caution</b> Single or double glove as per your procedures.  Change gloves at least every 15 minutes.
<b>Cleaning</b> with wipes and dilute solutions.  Note: Thicker chemical resistant gloves are required for concentrated cleaning solutions and when hands must be immersed for long periods of time.	Accel Intervention wipes Ammonia hydroxide, 28% Bleach, 10-13% Caviwipes Chlorhexidine digluconate, 4%	Cidex OPA Isopropyl alcohol, 90% Oxivir TB wipes Povidone iodine, 10% (wound care) Quarternary cleaners	<b>Yes</b> Change gloves at least every 10 minutes.

# SensiCare Free Nitrile Exam Glove

## Non-sterile, Powder-Free

Manufacturer: Medline, 9 inch cuff

Box Ref: XS FREE500, S FREE501, M FREE502, L FREE503, XL FREE504



**Recommended for personnel with skin sensitivities to other products.**

Use	Hazard		Approved
Patient Care	Blood and body fluids (BBF) Extended wear times (>20 minutes)		Yes
Cleaning with wipes and dilute solutions.  Note: Thicker chemical resistant gloves are required for concentrated cleaning solutions and when hands must be immersed for long periods of time.	Ammonia hydroxide, 28% Bleach, 10-13% Caviwipes Chlorhexidine Digluconate, 4% (hand care)	Isopropyl alcohol, 70% Povidone iodine, 10% (wound care)	Yes Change gloves at least every 10 minutes.
Hazardous Drugs e.g. chemotherapy administration.  <i>These gloves have been tested against a broad range of hazardous drugs and thus are approved for use when handling any hazardous/cytotoxic drugs, except for Carmustine.</i>  <i>The specific hazardous drugs against which the gloves have been tested are listed.</i>	Cisplatin (1 mg/ml) Cyclophosphamide (20 mg/ml) Dacarbazine (10 mg/ml) Doxorubicin Hydrochloride (2 mg/ml) Etoposide (20 mg/ml) Fluorouracil (50 mg/ml)	Methotrexate (25 mg/ml) Mitomycin C (0.5 mg/ml) Paclitaxel (6 mg/ml) Thio-Tepa (10 mg/ml) Vincristine Sulfate (1 mg/ml)	Yes Double glove Change gloves at least every 30 minutes.
	Carmustine (3.3 mg/ml)		No Contact Workplace Health (OH&S).
Chemical Handling • Labs • Formalin use (e.g. pouring in ORs)  Note: Thicker chemical-resistant gloves are required for concentrated chemicals (such as acids) and when hands must be immersed for long periods of time.	Bleach, 10-13% Citric Acid, 70% Formaldehyde, 5% Formalin, 10% Sodium Hydroxide, 40%		Yes Change gloves at least every 30 minutes.
	<b>For other chemicals, contact Workplace Health (OH&amp;S).</b>		
	Acetic Acid Isopropyl Alcohol, 70%		Caution Change gloves at least every 15 minutes.
	Ethanol, 99.5% Hydrogen Peroxide, 30% Toluene, 99.5% Xylene, 98.5%		No Contact Workplace Health (OH&S).

# Micro-Touch Nitrafree

## Non-sterile, Powder-Free, Accelerant Free

Manufacturer: Ansell, 9 inch cuff

Box Ref: XS 6034510, S 6034511, M 6034512, L 6034513, XL 6034514



### Recommended for personnel with skin sensitivities to other nitrile products.

Use	Hazard		Approved
Patient care	Blood and body fluids (BBF) Extended wear times (>20 minutes)		<b>Yes</b>
<b>Cleaning</b> with wipes and dilute solutions.  Note: Thicker chemical resistant gloves are required for concentrated cleaning solutions and when hands must be immersed for long periods of time.	Ammonium hydroxide, 28-30% Bleach, 10-13% Chlorhexidine gluconate, 4% (hand care) Cidex OPA	Povidone iodine, 10% (wound care) Quaternary cleaner	<b>Yes</b> Change gloves at least every 10 minutes.
	Accel Prevention RTU Accel Intervention wipes Caviwipes	Isopropanol, 99.5% Oxivir TB wipes Virox wipes	<b>No</b> Contact Workplace Health (OH&S).
<b>Hazardous Drugs</b> e.g. chemotherapy administration.	Carmustine Cyclophosphamide Doxorubicin HCl Etoposide 5-Fluorouracile	Methotrexate Paclitaxel ThioTEPA Vincristine	<b>Yes</b> Single or double glove as per your procedures.  Change gloves at least every 30 minutes.
<b>Chemical handling</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Labs</li> <li>Formalin use (e.g. pouring in ORs)</li> </ul> Note: Thicker chemical-resistant gloves are required for concentrated chemicals (such as acids) and when hands must be immersed for long periods of time.	Acetic Acid, 10% Bleach, 10-13% Cidex OPA Citric Acid, 70% Formaldehyde, 37% Glutaraldehyde, 4%	Hydrazine, 35% Potassium Hydroxide Sodium Hydroxide, 50% Triclosan, 5%	<b>Yes</b> Change gloves at least every 30 minutes.
	<b>For other chemicals, contact Workplace Health (OH&amp;S).</b>		
	Formalin, 10% Hydrogen Peroxide, 30% Isopropanol, 70%		<b>Caution</b> Change gloves at least every 15 minutes.
	Acetone, 99.9% Chloroform, 99.8% Ethanol, 99.5% Formic Acid, 88%	Isopropanol, 90% Methanol, 99.5% Phenol, 10% Toluene, 99.5%	<b>No</b> Contact Workplace Health (OH&S).



## Micro-Touch Affinity

### Non-sterile, Powder-Free, Neoprene

Manufacturer: Ansell, 9 inch cuff

Box Ref: XS 3770, S 3771, M 3772, L 3773, XL 3774

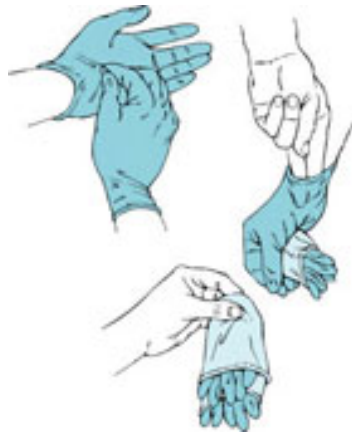


**Recommended for personnel with skin sensitivities to other products.**

Use	Hazard	Approved
<b>Patient Care</b>	Blood and body fluids (BBF) Extended wear times (>20 minutes)	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Cleaning</b> with wipes and dilute solutions.  Note: Thicker chemical resistant gloves are required for concentrated cleaning solutions and when hands must be immersed for long periods of time.	Ammonium hydroxide, 25% Bleach, 10-13% Chlorhexidine gluconate, 4% (hand care)	<b>Yes</b> Change gloves at least every 10 minutes.
<b>Hazardous Drugs</b>  Note: Tested as per ASTM F739, consult with Workplace Health (OH&S) if you regularly handle or administer hazardous drugs.	Cisplatin Cyclophosphamide Doxorubicin Hydrochloride Etoposide 5-Fluorouracil	<b>Yes</b> Double glove  Change gloves at least every 30 minutes.
	Carmustine ThioTEPA	<b>No</b> Contact Workplace Health (OH&S).
<b>Chemical Handling</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Labs</li> <li>Formalin use (e.g. pouring in ORs)</li> </ul> Note: Thicker chemical-resistant gloves are required for concentrated chemicals (such as acids) and when hands must be immersed for long periods of time.	Bleach, 10-13% Ethyl Alcohol, 70% Formaldehyde, 37% Glutaraldehyde, 4%	<b>Yes</b> Change gloves at least every 30 minutes.
	<b>For other chemicals, contact Workplace Health (OH&amp;S).</b>	
	Methanol	<b>Caution</b> Change gloves at least every 15 minutes.
	Acetone	<b>No</b> Contact Workplace Health (OH&S).

## Glove Safety Reminders

- Perform hand hygiene before donning gloves.
- Wear the appropriate glove for the specific task, and remove immediately once the task is complete.
- Remove gloves immediately if torn. Perform hand hygiene and put on a new pair of gloves.
- Do not wear the same pair of gloves from patient to patient.
- Do not wear gloves out of a patient's/resident's/client's room.
- Remove gloves by pulling them inside out. Avoid coming in direct contact with the outside of the used glove.



- **Always perform hand hygiene immediately after removing gloves. Gloves do not replace hand hygiene. Note: when working with chemicals or hazardous drugs, hands must be washed with soap and water to remove possible contamination.**

Sizing may be a bit different between each model of glove. When trying a new glove, start with the size you usually use and adjust to a larger or smaller size if needed.

## Order Numbers

### Reference Codes on Box:

Size	Curad3G Vinyl	Sensicare ICE Nitrile	Curad Extended Cuff Nitrile	Micro-Touch Nitrafree	Micro-Touch Affinity	SensiCare Free
XS	CUR6073	486800	CUR7003	6034510	3770	FREE500
S	CUR6074	486801	CUR7004	6034511	3771	FREE501
M	CUR6075	486802	CUR7005	6034512	3772	FREE502
L	CUR6076	486803	CUR7006	6034513	3773	FREE503
XL	CUR6077	486804	CUR7007	6034514	3774	FREE504

### FH Order Numbers:

Size	Curad3G Vinyl	Sensicare ICE Nitrile	Curad Extended Cuff Nitrile	Micro-Touch Nitrafree	Micro-Touch Affinity	SensiCare Free
XS	411315	418120	330175	408709	Contact Workplace Health (OH&S)	471576
S	336347	418121	330176	407418		471577
M	336348	418122	330177	408472		471578
L	336349	418123	330178	398845		471579
XL	336350	418127	424568	415366		471580

### PHC Order Numbers:

Size	Curad3G Vinyl	Sensicare ICE Nitrile	Curad Extended Cuff Nitrile	Micro-Touch Nitrafree	Micro-Touch Affinity	SensiCare Free
XS	00079760	00089473	00092540	00093815	Contact Workplace Health (OH&S)	00119459
S	00079761	00089476	00092534	00093816		00119460
M	00079762	00089477	00092535	00093817		00119461
L	00079763	00089474	00092536	00093818		00119462
XL	00079764	00089475	00092537	00093819		00119463

### PHSA Order Numbers:

Size	Curad3G Vinyl	Sensicare ICE Nitrile	Curad Extended Cuff Nitrile	Micro-Touch Nitrafree	Micro-Touch Affinity	SensiCare Free
XS	Not itemized	00085935	00085980	Not itemized	Contact Workplace Health (OH&S)	00092402
S	00086328	00085936	Not itemized	Not itemized		00092403
M	00086329	00085937	00031946	Not itemized		00092404
L	00086330	00085938	00085981	Not itemized		00092405
XL	00086331	00085939	Not itemized	Not itemized		00092406

### VCH Order Numbers:

Size	Curad3G Vinyl	Sensicare ICE Nitrile	Curad Extended Cuff Nitrile	Micro-Touch Nitrafree	Micro-Touch Affinity	SensiCare Free
XS	00079760	00089473	00092540	00093815	Contact Workplace Health (OH&S)	00119459
S	00079761	00089476	00092534	00093816		00119460
M	00079762	00089477	00092535	00093817		00119461
L	00079763	00089474	00092536	00093818		00119462
XL	00079764	00089475	00092537	00093819		00119463

## Contact Information

### **FH Workplace Health**

[Intranet home page](#)

[Site Safety Consultants](#)

### **PHC Occupational Health and Safety**

[Intranet home page](#)

[Site Occupational Health and Safety Advisors](#)

### **PHSA Workplace Health**

[Intranet home page](#)

[workplacehealth@phsa.ca](mailto:workplacehealth@phsa.ca)

### **VCH Workplace Health**

[Intranet home page](#)

[Site Occupational Health and Safety Advisors](#)

## References and Compliance Information

### Glove specifications data:

- Medline resistance data for hazardous drugs and chemicals sent to Workplace Health (OH&S) in 2016 and 2017.
- Ansell Chemotherapy Drug Permeation Chart (2017) and Chemical Resistance Guide (2017) sent to Workplace Health (OH&S) in Oct. 2017. Microtouch Affinity chemical permeation data was derived from the Ansell Examination Gloves Document (2012).

### All gloves tested in accordance with:

- Blood and body fluid penetration:
  - ASTM D6319 - 10 Standard Specification for Nitrile Examination Gloves for Medical Application.
  - or,
  - ASTM D5250 - 06(2011) Standard Specification for Poly(vinyl chloride) Gloves for Medical Application
  - and,
  - ASTM F1671: Standard Test Method for Resistance of Materials Used in Protective Clothing to Penetration by Blood-Borne Pathogens Using Phi-X174 Bacteriophage Penetration as a Test System.
- Hazardous drugs:
  - ASTM D6978 Standard Practice for Assessment of Resistance of Medical Gloves to Permeation by Chemotherapy Drugs
- Chemicals:
  - ASTM F739: Standard Test Method for Resistance of Protective Clothing to Permeation by Liquids, Gases Under Conditions of Continuous Contact
  - or,
  - EN 374: Protective Gloves Against Chemicals and Micro-Organisms – Part 3: Determination of Resistance to Permeation by Chemicals

### This selection guideline was developed to comply with:

- WorksafeBC Occupational Health and Safety Regulation.
- BCCA Pharmacy Practice Standards for Hazardous Drugs, September 2016. Retrieved January 24, 2017 from [http://www.bccancer.bc.ca/pharmacy-site/Documents/Safe%20Handling/8%20Safe%20Handling%20Standards%20Summary\\_September%202016.pdf](http://www.bccancer.bc.ca/pharmacy-site/Documents/Safe%20Handling/8%20Safe%20Handling%20Standards%20Summary_September%202016.pdf)