

CORONAVIRUS ONBOARD PRECAUTIONS

Aircraft Cleaning
& Appearance
2020

A microscopic view of several coronavirus particles, characterized by their spherical shape and numerous spike-like projections (spikes) extending from the surface. The particles are set against a light blue, slightly blurred background.

Following the evolution of the novel coronavirus outbreak, MEA has conducted a research about the extra measures to prevent the spread of the virus while traveling onboard its flights and protect its passengers and crew.

MEA CLEANING PROGRAM

Transit cleaning

- Covering all basic cabin parts that the passenger is frequently touching:
Tables, screens, armrest, windows, headrest covers replacement, carpet, lavatories, galley surfaces, NTF etc.

Night stop cleaning

- Mini deep cleaning, performed

Deep cleaning

- Covering all parts of the cabin in details, performed

ALL DETERGENTS USED WHILE CLEANING THE AIRCRAFT ARE APPROVED FOR AIRCRAFT USE.

Extra measures following the Coronavirus outbreak

MEA has taken the following actions to reduce the risk of spreading the virus.

- All Libanet (cleaning personnel) personnel are wearing new disposable rubber gloves when cleaning each aircraft and are conducting hand sanitizing after wearing out the gloves and moving to a new aircraft.
- All Libanet personnel are wearing medical protective masks.
- Libanet personnel are using disinfectants while cleaning the cabin, the galleys and the lavatories:
 - RhobaAIR Aerclean cab: highly effective and safe special cleaning and disinfecting concentrate for the whole aircraft interior, biodegradable.

IF NO SUSPECTED CASE ONBOARD

MEA Disinfection program

MEA fleet is being frequently disinfected

Procedure: Following World Health Organization (WHO) requirements

Product used: Callington KI-OSE

⚠ HEPA filters:

MEA fleet is equipped with HEPA (High-Efficiency-Particulate Arrestors) filters. HEPA have been shown in tests to provide air that meets the standards set for hospital operating theatres

Airbus considers that the HEPA air recirculation filters capture viruses such as the MERS (Corona virus) and COVID-19 (Wuhan) Corona virus with extremely high efficiency.



Disinfection

IF SUSPECTED CASES ONBOARD

- After disembarking, staff is not allowed to enter the aircraft except the disinfection team.
- All blankets, pillows, pillow covers, magazine and headrest covers are thrown away and replaced.
- Extra attention is paid to the row where the suspected passenger was sitting and its surroundings.
- After disinfection, cleaning and fumigation, the aircraft is closed for one hour.

IF SUSPECTED CASE ONBOARD

MEA Crew

MEA crew are being followed by their head of departments and are being isolated until the coronavirus test results of the suspected passenger are out. The crew will as well conduct the coronavirus test.

The crew is allowed to wear Protective masks and gloves when needed or when there is a suspected case onboard and take necessary action (isolation of suspected case, provision of protective mask and gloves...). MEA cabin crew showed high professionalism when treating the previous suspected cases. More trainings for the cabin are being provided to maintain this level of professionalism.

