



How to Wash Your Hands Properly

- 1. Wet hands with clean, running water (warm or cold).
- 2. Lather hands with soap by rubbing them together, including backs of hands, between your fingers, and under your nails.
- 3. Scrub hands for at least 20 seconds.
- 4. Rinse hands under clean, running water.
- **5.** Dry hands with a clean towel or air dry them.

When should you wash your hands?

- After using the restroom.
- After coughing, sneezing, or blowing your nose.
- After using any chemicals.
- After contact with your clothes or apron.
- After contact with anything that may contaminate your hands.

Additional Produce Handling Safety Tips

- Wash hands before and after handling fresh fruits and vegetables.
- Properly clean all surfaces and utensils with hot water and soap; this includes all countertop surfaces, cutting boards, knives, and other items that will touch fresh produce before and after food preparation.
- Always use separate utensils and cutting boards for produce and meat/poultry/seafood to prevent cross-contamination.
- Rinse commodity fruits and vegetables under clean running water, even if the produce is going to be peeled;
 Ready-Set-Serve products do not need to be washed.
- Never use detergent or bleach to wash fruits or vegetables as these chemicals are not intended for consumption.
- Rub firm-skin produce under cold running tap water or scrub with a clean vegetable brush while rinsing.
- Dry with clean cloth or paper towel to further reduce bacteria that may be present on the surface.



