

# Information on throwing away equipment during the coronavirus situation

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People can catch the coronavirus illness from each other.



Our social care staff will wear special equipment when they visit you.

This is to help stop coronavirus spreading and to keep you and your social care worker safe.



This letter tells you what needs to happen with the equipment after it has been used in your home.

Our social care staff will follow the Public Health England (PHE) rules about cleaning and throwing away the equipment used in your home.

**What happens when you do not have coronavirus symptoms such as a fever, cough or difficulty breathing**



The social care worker will put the equipment in a plastic waste bag and throw away in your usual rubbish bin.

You do not need to do anything.



**What happens when you have coronavirus symptoms such as a fever, cough or difficulty breathing**

The social care worker will do three things after they take off the equipment.



1. They will put the equipment in a plastic waste bag and tie it up



2. They will put the plastic waste bag inside another one and tie it up.



3. They will put the bags in a safe place, away from your usual rubbish and leave it there for 3 days.

This is because the risk of catching the coronavirus illness from the equipment after 3 days is much less.

**3 days**



**After you have waited for three days you can then put the bags in your normal rubbish.**

There will be a label on the bags telling you the date you can put the bags in your normal rubbish.



If you have any question about this, please speak to your social care worker.

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