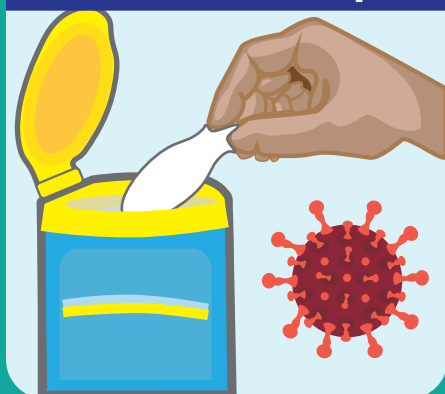


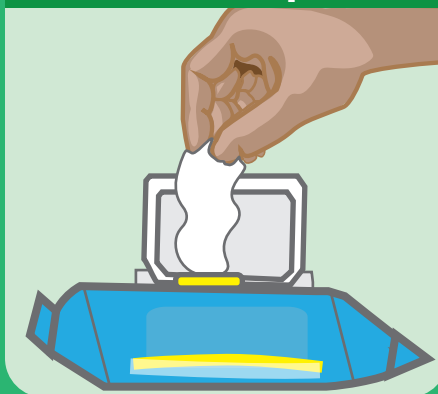
## Q: Should I treat disinfectant wipes the same as other wipes?

**A: NO!** Disinfecting wipes are antimicrobial pesticides for surfaces, regulated by the EPA. They are not baby wipes or skin wipes. Wipes with "Drug Facts" control germs on people and are regulated by the FDA. Wipes that don't claim to control germs or viruses might not be regulated by EPA or FDA.

### Disinfectant Wipes



### Other Wipes



Other wipes are not all the same. Check the label first.

**EPA Reg.  
No. 1-23-4  
Directions  
For Use**

Look for an EPA Registration Number. Follow directions carefully.



Look for "contact time": how long the surface must be wet to kill germs.



Do NOT use disinfectant wipes on hands or skin. Wash hands after using wipes on surfaces.



Hand sanitizing wipes are for hands, and are NOT baby wipes.



Wipes with "Drug Facts" are for use on people or living things, like hand sanitizing wipes.



Preclean with soap and water to help the wipe do its job. Rinse after if the label says to.



Disinfectant wipes are NOT baby wipes. Do not let students of any age use them.



Baby wipes are for cleaning skin and do not claim to kill germs.



No "Drug Facts"? No "EPA Reg. No."? It may just be a cleaner that doesn't kill germs.

If anyone is exposed follow label first aid and call Poison Control at 800-222-1222.



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