HOW MANUFACTURERS ARE PROTECTING THEIR TEAMS AND PLANTS

The MLC is committed to acting as a community where manufacturers can share best practices during the pandemic crisis. As shared during the MLC’s COVID-19 Town Hall calls, these are some actions manufacturers are taking to protect their teams and facilities during the pandemic. These are meant only as examples of what companies are doing, not as guidance from the MLC or the NAM.

For more details on proper hygiene protocols, consult OSHA’s Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19.

### Hand Sanitizing
- Increase the number of hand sanitizing stations throughout facilities
- Use hand sanitizer that is at least 60% alcohol per CDC recommendation
- Enforce a policy of no handshakes, fist bumps or high fives
- Display CDC-issued posters demonstrating proper handwashing procedures and cough etiquette

### Social Distancing
- Ensure employees stay 6 feet from one another as much as possible per CDC recommendation
- Rotate break times to prevent large gatherings
- Limit the size of in-person meetings
- Encourage employees to stay home if experiencing symptoms or if they live with or have been exposed to someone who is sick
- Restrict visitors allowed on-site to essential personnel

### Personal Protective Equipment
- Consider making PPE requirements for employees, such as face masks, gloves, and hooded hair nets. Note that there is no specific CDC PPE guidance for COVID-19.

### General Sanitation Practices
- Increase cleaning frequency:—ex: clean restrooms, cafeterias, door knobs and other touch surfaces more frequently
- Use disinfectants from the EPA’s list of products effective against COVID-19 for sanitation of workspaces and common areas ([https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-of-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2](https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-of-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2))
- Communicate updated hygiene information with staff as it becomes available

### Active and Passive Screening
- Consult your legal team and ensure compliance with any state or local regulations regarding screening measures
- Take voluntary temporal thermometer readings of anyone who wishes to enter your site
- Use a voluntary self-assessment to identify symptoms
- Require anyone self-monitoring at home to provide a symptom and temperature log upon return to work
- Turn away anyone with active symptoms or anyone who declines to participate in screenings

Sources: NAM/MLC webinars