

BEST PRACTICES FOR  
MAKEUP ARTISTS**Our goal is not to decontaminate our makeup  
it's to AVOID contaminating it in the first place**

Makeup is considered a porous item and porous items  
cannot be disinfected

**Before you arrive to a job...**

- Outside of makeup brushes, try to remove all porous reusable items, including cosmetic bags, canisters, brush rolls, and fabric chairs
- Remove all non-porous packaging that is difficult to clean and disinfect, such as pencil sharpeners or complicated packaging. Check for textured surfaces, a lot of grooves, or small spaces that are hard to clean. Remember, if we cannot clean something we cannot disinfect it.
- Repackage into non-porous packaging that is easy to clean and disinfect. For example; A fabric kit bag is now replaced by plastic bins with lids. Makeup chair will be replaced by a chair without armrests and without any fabric, such as a metal or plastic chair
- Separate makeup brushes- one brush set per person, in individual bags that can be sealed

Make sure there isn't any loose or excessive adhesive on packaging

Try to avoid wearing jewelry and artificial nails while working

Wearing masks, regardless of COVID-19 is a sign of respect to your clients  
and is a safer way to work since we are in close proximity to other people

Always follow state and local regulations



## While You're Working...

- While working, remove makeup from original containers and transfer to a pallet before use. If the makeup is in a pump or tube bottle, that can be transferred to the pallet directly from the packaging. All other products must be transferred by using a disposable applicator
- Hands and brushes should only touch the makeup once it's been transferred to a pallet
- Use one mascara wand per eye. Never double-dip any applicators back into the makeup and don't use the same applicators from one eye to the other
- Keep all makeup closed unless it is being transferred to a pallet
- Do not reuse disposable applicators
- Use one brush set per person. Keep each set individually wrapped in an enclosed space such as a disposable bag. That bag will be used on that person and that person only throughout the day. Keep apart from all other bags once used.
- Consider the packaging "contaminated" once you have started working on a client and have touched the bottle. Use separate bins for those items so you know to clean and disinfect before you start your next client
- Do "SNEEZE CHECKS" frequently. meaning if the client were to sneeze, You only want things in front of you that can either be cleaned and disinfected or disposed of
- Keep disposable applicators in an enclosed container, such as spice jars
- Clean any objects you or your clients may have touched, including anything in your makeup kit, and clean and disinfect shared surfaces. Use Barbicide to disinfect all hard surfaces, like the tables, chairs, and outside of your containers
- After cleaning and disinfecting your area, wash your hands thoroughly then invite your next client back to the area

## At The End Of The Day...

- Clean any objects you or your clients may have touched, including anything in your makeup kit, and clean and disinfect shared surfaces. Use Barbicide to disinfect all hard surfaces, like the tables, chairs, and outside of your containers
- Once you are home, clean each brush set bag by bag. You can clean your makeup brushes by thoroughly washing them with soap and water followed by spraying with 70% Isopropyl Alcohol (if your state allows). Spray enough so that all contact points are saturated.
- You can also use Barbicide Wipes by using a mechanical motion to scrub the handles. Wipe the brushes clean to remove all residual makeup, then wrap the hair portion in the wipe for the 2 minute contact time.
- Thoroughly clean and disinfect all other tools like pallets using an EPA registered disinfectant such as BARBICIDE