

# DO Use Disinfectants Properly DON'T Risk Your Health

## *Important Tips for Keeping a Healthy House*



Antimicrobial disinfectants are used to kill bacteria and other germs. But don't forget that these products must be used properly, according to their label instructions.

Here are some Do's and Don'ts when using these products to make sure you DO get more of the benefits and DON'T accidentally make yourself or your family ill.

### DO

- ✓ Always read and follow the directions on product labels
- ✓ Always wear protective gear like gloves if recommended on the label
- ✓ Always use products in a well-ventilated area
- ✓ Always save the Poison Control number in your phone: 1-800-222-1222
- ✓ Always use and reseal child safety caps
- ✓ Always keep these products out of a child's sight and reach, even while using
- ✓ Always ensure a product container is empty and clean before putting in the recycling bin
- ✓ Always immediately clean up any disinfectant spill, no matter how small

### DON'T

- ✗ Never mix disinfectant products with anything but water
- ✗ Never use these products on or in the human body, pets, or food
- ✗ Never store products in places easily accessed by children or pets
- ✗ Never remove products from their original containers and put into unlabeled containers
- ✗ Never use disinfectants near open flames, barbeque grills, lit cigarettes, etc.
- ✗ Never leave these products uncovered for extended amounts of time
- ✗ Never put used or spilled products back into their container