

# To Carefully Handle Waste from Temporary Lodging Facilities

Please implement the following measures at waste discharge in temporary lodging facilities for patients with mild or no symptoms of the novel coronavirus.

## — Three (3) Points to be Reminded **When Handling Waste** —

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### DO NOT TOUCH GARBAGE WITH BARE HANDS !

Avoid direct contact to garbage. When processing waste, always use gloves, facemasks, and other personal protective equipment, and wear work clothes (long sleeves and long pants) with minimum skin exposure.



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### TIE SECURELY TO SEAL GARBAGE BAGS !

Double bag the garbage if garbage inside comes out to contact the outer surface of the garbage bag. Do not stuff garbage, and deflate air inside the garbage bag to prevent the bag from rupturing while being loaded in a garbage truck.



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### WASH HANDS IMMEDIATELY AFTER HANDLING GARBAGE !

Always thoroughly wash or disinfect hands and fingers using running water and a soap or alcohol based disinfectant. Be cautious that garbage might have been contacted and contaminated hands with viruses without an aware, thus wash thoroughly.



**Although waste from temporary lodging facilities may be treated as non-infectious waste under the Waste Management and Public Cleansing Act, please ensure implementation of appropriate measures for waste management staff workers to prevent and protect them from infection.**

**Note:**

- Temporary lodging facilities are offered for patients with mild or no symptoms of the novel coronavirus. Unlike hospitals and medical clinics, these facilities are not places for doctors and medical professionals to conduct medical practices.
- The Waste Management and Public Cleaning Act defines infectious waste as waste being contaminated with any infectious pathogens, which is discharged by medical practices from medical institutions such as hospitals.

Please be aware that if waste from those temporary lodging facilities would be treated as infectious, vast extra amount of waste are rushed into waste processing facilities for infectious waste, causing process overload and stagnancy.

