

# FAQ'S ON ATP TESTING

Businesses that are re-opening will need a cleaning and infection control plan to keep their employees and customers safe. The way your facility was cleaned in the past may or may not be adequate to provide a healthy workplace in light of the current environment. So, how can you tell if your cleaning service can provide the level of cleaning and disinfection you need now? ATP Testing Can Reveal the Answer. Commercial cleaning companies can provide surface tests for bio contaminants as part of a quality control plan for their janitorial customers.



## SURFACES MAY LOOK CLEAN AND STILL CONTAIN GERMS:

In the past, cleaning companies were judged mainly by the appearance of the facility they cleaned. When you came into the office on Monday and everything looked clean, you were happy. Unfortunately, in light of today's pandemic, that isn't enough. The reason for this is pretty simple: germs are invisible and you can't tell if a surface has been cleaned and disinfected properly just by looking at it. And, through extensive testing, leading authorities have found that surfaces can look clean, but still contain large amounts of germs.

## ATP METERS ARE AN EFFECTIVE WAY TO MEASURE CLEANLINESS:

Adenosine triphosphate (ATP) tests detect the presence of organic material on surfaces. These tests offer a way of objectively evaluating how clean a surface is. Hospitals have used ATP testing for almost thirty years to confirm cleanliness levels in OR's and other critical care areas. ATP testing can quantify surface cleanliness and validate the processes and chemicals that are being used to clean and disinfect a facility. With the recent outbreak of Covid 19, janitorial companies can provide their customers with a scientific approach to quality control. By quantifying the level of cleanliness in your facility, ATP tests can keep your customers and staff safe. ATP tests are portable and provide rapid results. They can tell you instantly whether or not your facility has been cleaned adequately.

## QUALITY CONTROL THROUGH ATP TESTING:

ATP testing provides a way to validate a cleaning company's performance. Janitorial managers can perform inspections using ATP testing to ensure that your facility is cleaned to safe levels. While ATP tests detect the presence of organic matter, they don't provide data as to what specific germs or bacteria are present on a surface. ATP tests detect bio contaminants, which provides indirect evidence about the levels of bacteria and viruses present on a surface. Surfaces with high ATP levels are likely to contain pathogens, and surfaces with low levels are generally considered safe. That's why hospitals have relied on ATP testing to measure surface cleanliness for decades.

## CLEANING PROCESSES ARE VALIDATED WITH ATP TESTING:

You shouldn't have to guess or hope that your facility was cleaned properly during these times. All it takes is one sick person to create a local outbreak. That's why it's so important that the cleaning company you use employs best cleaning practices in your facility. Cleaning with the wrong technique, equipment and chemicals can get you and others sick, a mistake we cannot afford right now. The processes, equipment and supplies Ace Cleaning Systems uses to clean and disinfect have been tested for efficacy using ATP meters. Our goal is to achieve hygienic levels of cleanliness and document it through ATP testing.

## HYGIENA ATP TESTING

When it comes to ATP meters, not all test kits are the same. Infection control programs require the use of reliable, high quality ATP meters. Hygiena is a leading provider of ATP test kits with locations around the globe. Hygiena ATP meters have been widely used by hospitals and the food industry for years. Ace Cleaning Systems has implemented the same ATP testing meters that are used in hospitals in the healthcare and commercial facilities we service.

## AN ADDED BENEFIT OF ATP TESTING: MONITOR CLEANLINESS LEVELS

The current COVID-19 outbreak has many people worried about going back to work. By hiring a cleaning company that does ATP testing, you can not only increase the level of cleanliness in your facility, but you can document and monitor the environment in your workplace.



# COMMITTED TO A CLEANER AND HEALTHIER WORKPLACE

Every commercial cleaning company's goal should be to provide a safe and healthy work environment for the facility they are cleaning. While there is no guarantee that we can completely eliminate all pathogens from your facility, ATP testing can provide the peace of mind you need. We know that the coronavirus problem is not going away anytime soon. That's why it's important to implement a cleaning and infection control plan going forward. Our cleaning and disinfection processes combined with periodic ATP testing, can provide the type of plan you need. Ace cleaning systems provides ATP testing for our janitorial clients and any business in Broward and Palm Beach County that wants to evaluate the effectiveness of their current cleaning program. We can provide consulting or fully managed janitorial services for your facility. Schedule your consultation today.

