



PAPUA NEW GUINEA
JOINT AGENCY TASK FORCE
NATIONAL OPERATIONS CENTRE 19
(JATFNOC19)



STATE OF EMERGENCY
OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER

I, Commissioner David Manning, Emergency Controller, by virtue of the *Emergency (General Provisions) (COVID 19) Act 2020 (Act)*, hereby issue the following Direction.

EMERGENCY DIRECTION – EDUCATION DEPARTMENT – SCHOOL INSPECTIONS

All primary and secondary schools within Papua New Guinea are to conduct inspections and complete the attached checklist, to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 to their students, staff and surrounding communities.

The checklists are to be collated by the Education Department and a spreadsheet is to be forwarded to the National Operations Centre by the close of business Monday 11 May 2020.


David Manning, MBE, DPS, QPM
Emergency Controller



DATE: 04 May 2020



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Checklist for School Administrators, Teachers and Staff

- 1. Promote and demonstrate regular hand washing and positive hygiene behaviors and monitor their uptake. Ensure adequate, clean and separate toilets for girls and boys**
 - Ensure soap and safe water is available at age-appropriate hand washing stations
 - Encourage frequent and thorough washing (at least 20 seconds)
 - Place hand sanitizers in toilets, classrooms, halls, and near exits where possible
 - Ensure adequate, clean and separate toilets or latrines for girls and boys

- 2. Clean and disinfect school buildings, classrooms and especially water and sanitation facilities at least once a day, particularly surfaces that are touched by many people (railings, lunch tables, sports equipment, door and window handles, toys, teaching and learning aids etc.)**
 - Use sodium hypochlorite at 0.5% (equivalent 5000ppm) for disinfecting surfaces
 - Use 70% ethyl alcohol for disinfection of small items
 - Ensure appropriate equipment for cleaning staff

- 3. Increase air flow and ventilation where climate allows (open windows, use air conditioning where available, etc.)**
- 4. Post signs encouraging good hand and respiratory hygiene practices**
- 5. Ensure trash is removed daily and disposed of safely**