



Disposable Gloves Guide



Gloves and Your Business

Disposable gloves are available in a wide variety of materials to provide the best combination of protection, dexterity, and cost for different applications. Whether you're working with food or in a critical lab environment.

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Gloves at a Glance

	Poly	Latex	Vinyl	Nitrile
General		✓	✓	✓
Food Prep	✓	✓	✓	✓
Food Service		✓	✓	✓
Janitorial		✓	✓	✓
Medical Exam		✓		✓
Latex Free	✓		✓	✓

Medical Exam



Poly Gloves



Preferred Use: Food Preparation

Offers the best economy, polyethylene gloves serve as an inexpensive solution for creating a barrier between bare hands and food. Combined with proper hand washing practices, poly gloves can assist in maintaining a hygienic environment free from food- borne illnesses.

Unique texture of cast poly gloves sold at Wasserstrom offers an improved fit and is less likely to slip when wet.

Loose-fitting design is easy to don for frequent glove changes.





Latex Gloves



Preferred Use: Janitorial

Latex gloves offer a unique blend of comfort and protection. Resistant to puncturing, these gloves serve as an optimal barrier against biological contaminants. Latex is also widely considered to provide the greatest fit of any disposable.

Allergy concerns remain latex's biggest drawback when it comes to food preparation, which is why these gloves are recommended for janitorial use.

Three states have active restrictions on latex glove use in foodservice establishments: Arizona, Oregon, and Rhode Island.



Vinyl Gloves



Preferred Use: Food Preparation

Designed for short-term use, vinyl gloves offer a cost-effective alternative to latex while providing an effective temporary barrier against biological contaminants.

Derived from synthetic PVC resins, vinyl gloves do not pose the same allergy risk as latex or natural rubber alternatives, making them an attractive option for food prep and employee safety.

Powdered gloves are lightly powdered with cornstarch, making them easier to put on hands. It's a matter of preference to choose powder-free vs. powdered gloves.



Nitrile Gloves



Preferred Use: Medical/Janitorial

Regarded as the highest quality replacement for latex, nitrile continues to grow in popularity. Nitrile provides outstanding resistance against many commonly used chemicals, and is more resistant to puncturing than its latex and vinyl counterparts.

Nitrile gloves are also latex and protein-free, making them safe for everyone to use without allergy concerns.



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