

GLASSCARE GUIDANCE BEFORE RESTART

Machine glass washing is the preferred method of glass cleaning as it removes many elements that are reliant upon correct human handling to achieve a clean glass. It also exposes the glassware to high temperatures which provides further disinfection. Ahead of reopening do the following,

Last thing to do here is renovate your glasses, follow the below steps:

- Remove all glassware from your counter tops.
- Check that these glasses are in good condition discarding any scuffed or damaged glassware.
- Clean down all counter top and glass shelve areas again with warm soapy water and follow with disinfection with Cellar hygiene spray.
- Put all glass mats into the glasswasher and renovate twice before taking out to dry. Discard any damaged glass mats.
- In the event of not having, a glasswasher wash these mats in warm soapy water and disinfect when they are dry.
- Start an organised renovation of all your glassware using the correct renovation powder and the correct renovation process to suit your machine type. See appendix doc and videos
- If using a hand washing system follow the correct procedure .see appendix doc and videos
- Allow the glassware to air dry naturally.
- Restack your glass shelves using the glass mats.

Glasscare Guidance AFTER Restart:

Prewashing:

- Collect glassware as soon as possible
- Always ensure residual liquids are emptied separately to avoid contaminating the water or diluting the detergents.
- Glasses must be free from debris i.e. pith from citrus fruits, straws etc.
- If glasses have traces of fat deposits or lipsticks, these must be removed, suggest use of Quash lipstick remover.
- Only Beer and Cider glasses to be in the glass washer, no Coffee/tea cups, cutlery or drip trays etc.
- Ensure that Glasswashers clean and maintenance procedures are followed daily/weekly

Washing & Rinsing

Handwashing:

- Washing and rinsing should happen in separate sink.
- Clean the glass in water and suitable detergent. Detergent must not be fat or oil based and be suitable for the water temperature (non-thermal detergents are available for cold water cleaning).
- You must follow the chemical supplier guidelines for dilution and replacement/refilling. This includes method of cleaning including contact time.
- If using a "hedgehog" brush ensure you clean 3-5 times with a strong rapid motion.
- Drain the glass over the washing sink.
- Rinse the glass fully (inside and outside) in a separate sink. Ensure this water is refreshed regularly if it is not an automatic process.
- Allow the glass to air dry (refer to Drying section below).

Machine Washing:

- Allow the glass wash machine to fill and heat up to required temperature. You should refer to the machine manual to ensure that the correct temperatures are set.
- Ideally, Glass wash machines should be fresh fill every cycle, in the event of sump type Glass wash machines only use 20% of fresh water between cycles therefore it is important that no contamination is introduced as it will affect the next 5 trays of glasses.
- Only use dedicated glassware detergents & rinse aids and those that are suitable for machine washing.
- The chemicals should be compatible with the machine dosing levels to ensure the correct concentrations.
- If water softener salt is required, ensure the dosing system is maintained and operating correctly.
- Operate the machine-washing cycle as per manufacturer instructions.
- With machine washing and rinse aids, regular Renovation process of the glasses will be required. Refer to Renovation chemicals instructions on how to complete this.

Glass Drying:

- Glasses should be allowed to air dry naturally. Never dry glasses using a cloth or paper towels.
- Forced Air Glass Dryers may be used to speed up the drying process.
- Glasses should be stored inverted and placed on plastic matting or glass racks to support the drying.
- Glasses must not be stacked as this traps moisture preventing the drying process.

Glass Storage:

- Glasses should be stored in a safe environment away from consumers. This should be at least 1.5m away from consumers or you must have a physical barrier in place to protect the glasses.
- Glasses should not be stacked and should be placed inverted on plastic matting or glass racks.

Hygiene and maintenance of the Equipment:

It is essential to maintain the hygiene of the glass washing equipment. Poorly cleaned and maintained equipment significantly reduces the effectiveness of the cleaning process.

Handwashing:

- The sinks and area should be cleaned regularly with the correct chemicals.
- The brushes should be cleaned daily using suitable brush cleaning chemical

Glasswasher:

- At the beginning of the working day, ensure that all parts are clean and in good working order, e.g. the spray arm moves freely, the nozzles and filters are not blocked, etc.
- Before you start your daily use of the machine, carry out two full cycles with an empty load.
- Always operate a close down process at the end of trading ensuring the washer is clean, drained of liquid and leave the door open.
- Ensure regular maintenance is carried out according to manufacture instructions and guidance.

Please consult the following web site for videos of best practice
Perfectpint.ie Home Page

Look at videos on

- Water break test.
- Glass renovation.
- Glass care.

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