



The safety and health of our members, including dealership employees and customers, is always of the utmost importance to us. As a result, we are taking the concerns associated with the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) seriously and are closely monitoring this rapidly evolving situation.

Now that we are in the reality of a pandemic, health officials are asking everyone to take steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in communities. We are following the advice of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and want to share steps you can take at the dealership immediately to support a healthy and safe environment.

Prevent Worker Exposure to Coronavirus

COVID-19 is believed to spread from person-to-person, primarily through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. The virus is also believed to spread by people touching a surface or object and then touching one's mouth, nose, or possibly the eyes. Employers and workers should follow these general practices to help prevent exposure to coronavirus:

- Frequently wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing.
- If soap and running water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

For further instructions on how to prepare your dealership, review OSHA's [Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19](#).

For the latest information on the symptoms, prevention, and treatment of coronavirus, visit the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention coronavirus webpage](#).

For interim guidance and other resources on protecting workers from coronavirus, visit OSHA's [COVID-19 webpage](#).