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HOW TO PREVENT BATHROOM MOULD IN PUBLIC BATHROOMS



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INTRODUCTION

Public bathrooms are in constant use throughout the day, meaning they often remain damp. In some instances, lights may automatically switch off for reduced energy consumption too. While this is great for the environment, this dark and damp environment is ideal for the growth of mould and harmful pathogens.

Once mould arises, it can seep under tiles, into walls and inside plumbing fixtures. So, in all cases, prevention is the best method.

The following ebook showcases how to prevent mould in these public settings to keep your premises clean and infection free.



CHOOSE HYGEN MICROFIBRE

HYGEN Microfibre is a fantastic tool for cleaning and sanitising, but in its dry form, it is also ideal for helping reduce moisture on surfaces. Using HYGEN Microfibre around taps, on the floor under sinks, and around toilets is a fantastic way to reduce water build-up, which could otherwise lead to moulding.

Using launderable HYGEN Microfibre solutions is also fantastic to reduce harmful environmental impacts during commercial cleaning.



VENTILATION IS THE KEY

Moisture is a key contributor to mould. So businesses need to eradicate excess moisture from surfaces as best as possible, especially between cleans. Opening windows or implementing good ventilation through air vents and fans can help to dry surfaces naturally.

Ventilation can also dry surfaces such as mirrors, which may become a splash zone during handwashing.

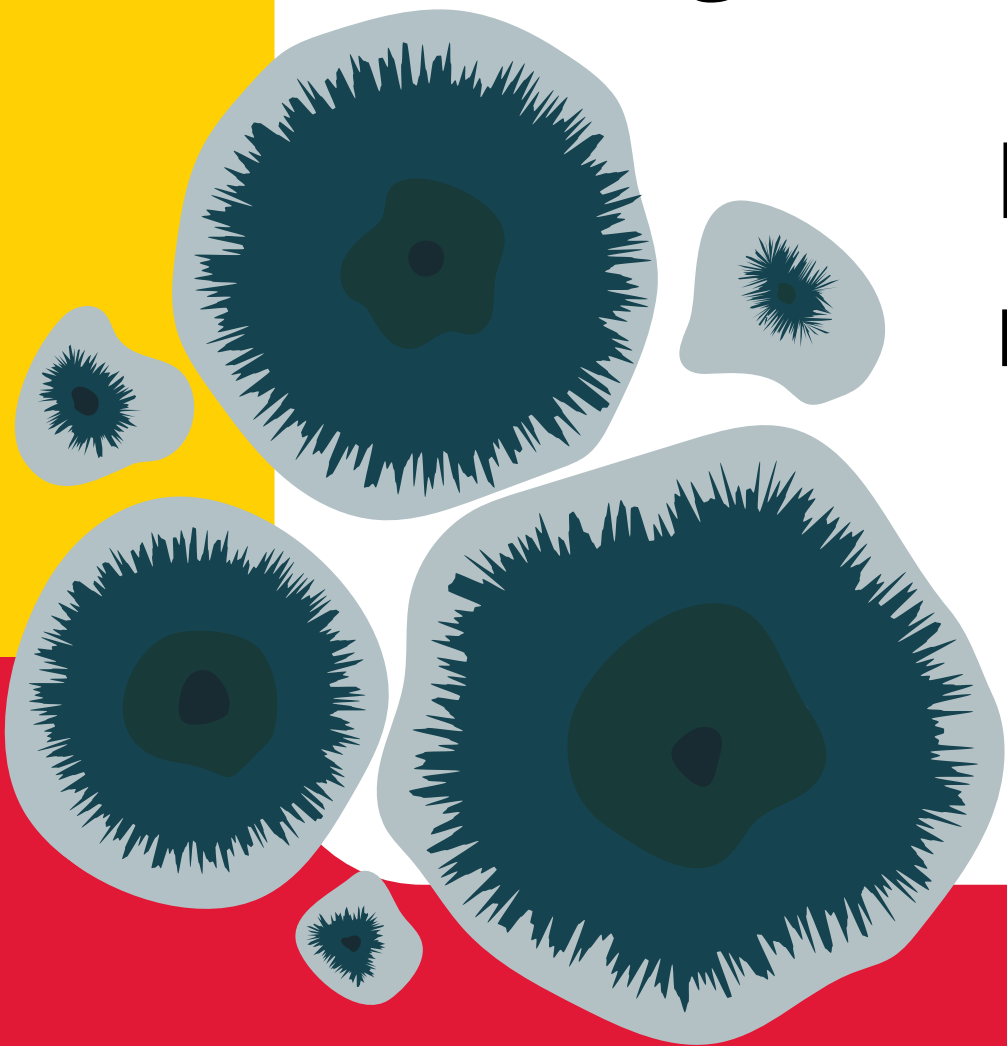
It is critical to note that ventilation shouldn't become a substitute for commercial cleaning. This is because ventilation is only effective at cleaning minor spills. Regular sanitisation can also work to eradicate harmful pathogens that formed during the drying process.

MOP REGULARLY AND IN FREQUENT INTERVALS

Water on bathroom floors, when mixed with bacteria from the bottoms of shoes, can create dangerous forms of mould and bacteria. So, it must be eradicated as frequently as possible.

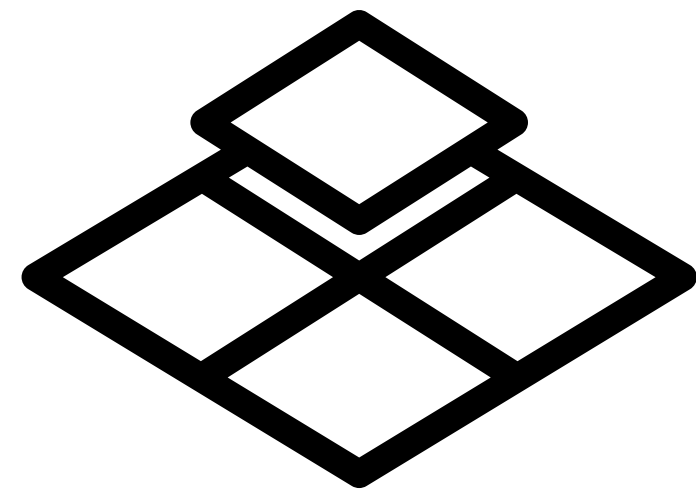
Even after a surface has been dried, it can still house harmful pathogens and bacteria. Sanitising with HYGEM microfibre mops at the end of each business day can help reduce the chances of harmful spores forming overnight, which is critical to keeping all bathroom users safe.

Locking bathrooms when the business is not in use can also reduce the chances that re-contamination occurs overnight.



REPAIR DAMAGE IMMEDIATELY

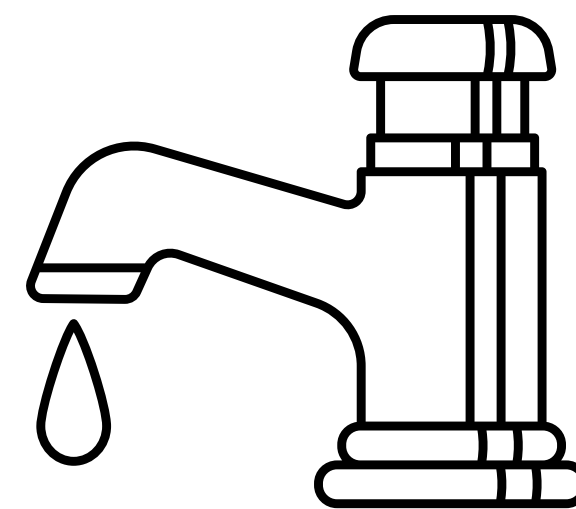
Even the best commercial cleaning processes can't prevent water from seeping through damage in bathrooms, which can cause invisible mould. Damage to look out for includes:



Loose Tiles



Cracked Grout



Loose Fittings

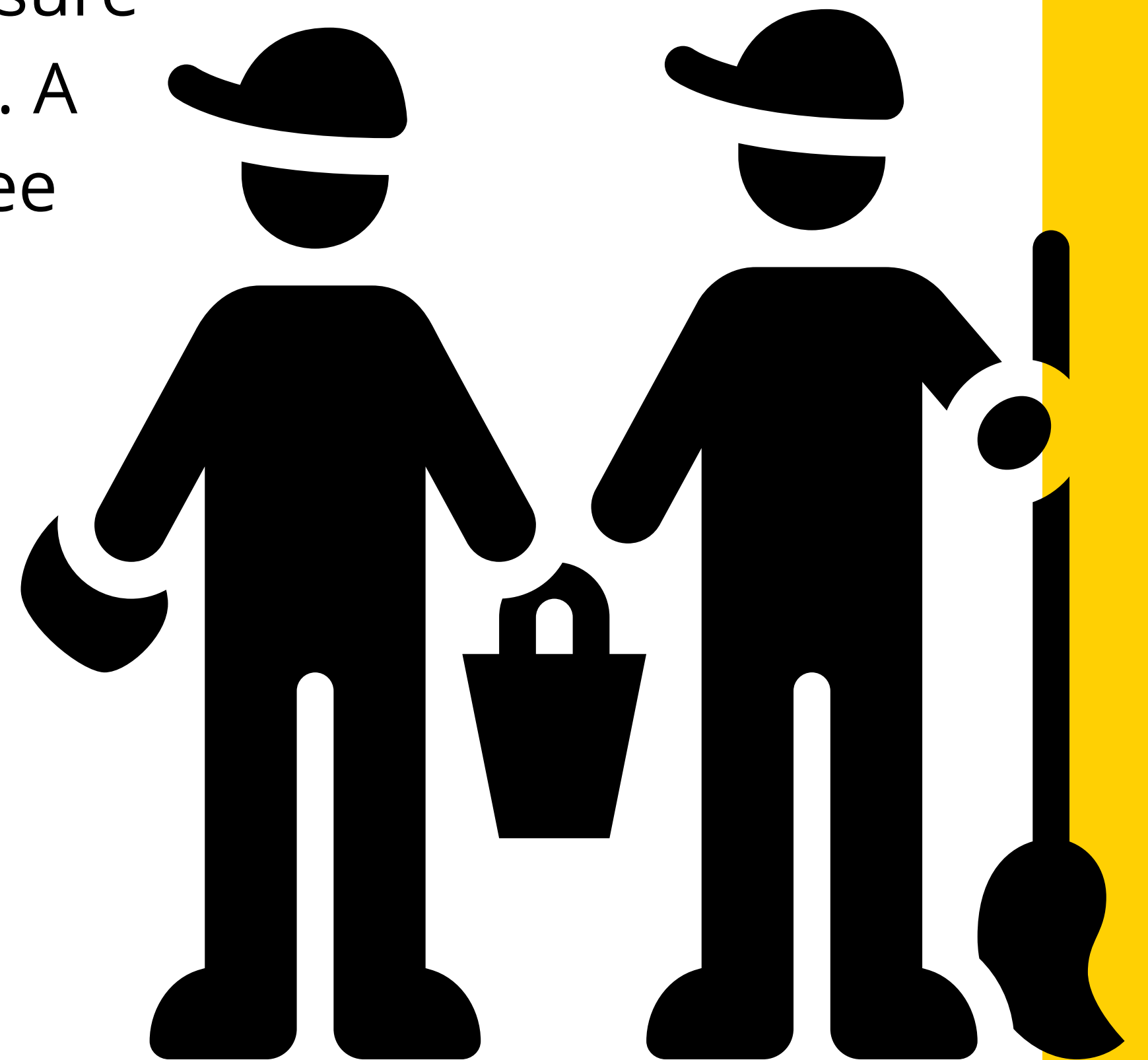


Cracked Plumbing

EMPLOY A CLEANING TEAM FOR PUBLIC RESTROOMS

Having a cleaning team at your asset can ensure that public bathrooms are cleaned regularly. A well-trained cleaning team will also guarantee all fixtures and surfaces are appropriately cleaned and sanitised with each routine inspection.

This team must be equipped with the best cleaning tools, such as the Rubbermaid Commercial Products range, for maximum effectiveness



At Rubbermaid Commercial, we understand managing bathroom cleanliness isn't always easy. If you're worried about mould, chat with us today. We are always more than happy to help.



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