## HOW TO HAND WASH

Wash hands when visibly soiled, after contact with patients who have diarrhoea or vomiting, or when advised to do so. Alcohol-based hand rub can be used at all other times.



closed fingers of right hand in left palm and vice versa

with water

with a paper towel

## **IMPORTANT**



- Remove all wrist and hand jewellery other than a wedding band.
- Use hand lotion regularly to prevent dry, cracked hands, ie, before and after work and before breaks.
- Cover minor cuts and abrasions on hands and arms with a waterproof dressing before starting work.
- Contact occupational health and safety if you have any dermatitis, skin allergies or infected lesions on your arms or hands.

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