

How to dispose of masks at home

(As part of policies to prevent the spread of COVID-19)

If you or someone in your house is infected or potentially infected with the novel coronavirus, please follow the instructions below on how to dispose of masks or tissues that are contaminated with mucus or other bodily fluids. Do not touch the trash directly, make sure to seal the trash bags completely, and wash your hands after throwing the trash out.

How to throw out the trash

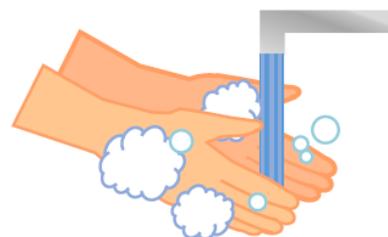
1: Place the trash bag in the trash can. Take out the trash after sealing the bag as shown in fig. 2 before the bag becomes full.



2: Remove the air from the trash bag and seal the bag tightly without touching the masks and other trash inside.



3: Wash your hands with soap and running water after taking out the trash.



*If the trash happens to touch the outside of the bag, place another trash bag over it to double-bag it.

- This manner of taking out the trash helps prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus and influenza, not just within your family, but also to the workers in your municipality who take care of the trash as well as waste facility workers.
- Follow the waste disposal rules in your municipality and never litter. When disposing of used masks, remember to never touch the trash directly, seal the trash bag tightly, and wash your hands after taking out the trash.



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