

# What is the Oaks SureStay program?

Oaks understands that as guests return to travel for leisure and business, hotel safety and cleanliness is at the forefront of travellers' minds. Oaks SureStay program builds on already impeccably high standards of cleanliness to deliver a hospital grade standard of sanitation throughout guest rooms, common areas and food & beverage venues, allowing guests to relax with the peace of mind that their health and safety has been looked after.

Oaks SureStay program utilises the highest grade of infection control policies and procedures developed in line with Australian owned and made chemical manufacturer True Blue.

### How has the guest experience at hotels changed?

The entire guest experience has been reconsidered, with COVID-safe regulations in place and visible to guests throughout the entire customer journey. All operational processes including those relating to check in and check out, cleaning procedures and the utilisation of common spaces throughout the hotels have been reviewed, to ensure the safety of guests and team members is assured.

### How has the check in and check out process been reconsidered?

Express check in and check out processes have been implemented across all hotels in order to minimise physical contact between guests and team members.

At check in, pre-prepared packs including room keys are available to collect from the reception counter, with the option for guests to swipe their own credit card on sanitised payment machines where necessary. At check out, guests will use a touchless key deposit and are able to swipe their own credit card at sanitised payment machines if necessary.

Social distancing regulations are in place throughout the entire check in and check out process utilising social distancing indicators. Customers will also note that seating in the hotel lobby has been removed to reduce the opportunity for COVID-19 to spread on shared objects.

### What measures are being taken to ensure the ongoing safety and cleanliness of guest rooms?

The chemical selection post COVID-19 has been raised from 'commercial grade' to 'hospital grade' and includes having a range of suitable disinfectants, cleaners and cleaning tools for use as part of our rigorous daily operations to ensure high cleaning standards and protection against any COVID-19 virus outbreak.





Oaks SureStay program guarantees a deep clean of the top ten high touch areas in guest rooms, in addition to our already stringent cleaning policies. This includes but is not limited to:

- 1. All handles, doorknobs, wardrobes, drawers and cabinetry
- 2. Light and electrical switches
- 3. Temperature control panels
- 4. Remote controls TV, Radio, Air Conditioning
- 5. Telephones & Intercoms
- 6. Bathroom Vanity, toilet flushes and seats, bath & shower tap ware
- 7. Irons and safe keypad/handle
- 8. Bathroom amenities Hair dryer, amenity trays, tissue boxes
- 9. Kitchen Cutlery, glassware, kettle, fridge and oven handle
- 10. Hard surfaces Tabletops, desks

Further, we are implementing a sanitisation fogging system, which involves spraying a long-lasting antimicrobial barrier on surfaces that actively destroys and prevents the spread of a wide range of viruses, moulds, mildew, fungus, algae and bacteria.

Oaks SureStay program also guarantees the double clean of showers, baths and toilets with both commercial and hospital grade disinfectant. Each individual room is also cleaned with a separate set of colour coded Microfibre cloths to reduce the risk of cross contamination.

Guests will also note that in order to remove the opportunity for COVID-19 to spread on shared objects, inroom stationary including notebooks and pens will now be available at reception on request.

### How can I be sure of the safety and hygiene of my room?

Oaks has introduced a quality assurance program with ATP testing to ensure that levels of residual matter are at a lower than acceptable level.

ATP monitoring measures residual organic matter that may remain after a surface is cleaned. Following the deep-clean of each room, a member of the Oaks housekeeping team will insert surface swabs from the room into a handheld unit called a luminometer. Results are available in seconds.





Guests can rest assured that this deep clean and ATP testing has taken place with a customised hygiene seal to be placed on each room once the clean and test have been completed.

# What measures are being taken to ensure hotel common areas are cleaned to the highest standard?

Oaks SureStay program ensures common areas as well as the back-of-house, are frequently and thoroughly cleaned and disinfected with our commercial and hospital grade products on an hourly basis during peak times, paying special attention to high touch-point areas, such as door handles, switches, counters etc.

Protective sheeting is fitted over all lift buttons to allow for effective cleaning of this high-touch point area, while hand sanitiser will be available to all at reception.

# What measures are being taken to ensure safety and hygiene within hotel facilities?

Guests can be assured that hotel facilities will continue to be safe and comfortable shared spaces. The following COVID-safe regulations have been implemented:

- Social distancing regulations are in place and there will be limits to the number of guests using the gym, pool, sauna, spa at one time.
- The pool, gym, spa, sauna is cleaned and sanitised at an increased frequency to a hospital grade standard.
- Guests must not share gym equipment until they have been thoroughly wiped down and sanitised after use.
- Sanitation wipes and hand sanitiser is available.

# What measures are being taken to ensure ongoing safety and cleanliness of food & beverage venues?

Our food and beverage outlets have always maintained high levels of cleanliness and will continue to do so, whilst ensuring that modifications are made to food preparation and service to allow for extra precautions to be taken.

In partnership with our F&B chemical partner, Ecolab, we will be ensuring that all front of house, high use surfaces will be cleaned at an increased frequency rate.





Further, Oaks SureStay program guarantees a deep clean of the top ten high touch areas in our F&B areas in addition to our already stringent cleaning policies. This includes but is not limited to:

- 1. Handrails on stairs and escalators
- 2. Shared door handles and door panels (including bathroom doors);
- 3. Elevator buttons (inside and outside);
- 4. EFTPOS machines;
- 5. POS machines;
- 6. Post mix guns;
- 7. Self-serve soft drink dispensers;
- 8. Self-serve or automatic coffee machines;
- 9. Straw dispensers;
- 10. Menu cards or table menu stands

In addition, all foods at ordering points in our cafes will be wrapped and pre-packaged, and buffet programs will be overhauled to consider individually wrapped options under strict employee supervision.

### Are these measures also being considered in back-of-house areas of food & beverage venues?

Yes, we will be increasing our cleaning and sanitisation procedures in all back of house areas to a minimum of every two hours, in combination with an increase in controls with our stock management, ensuring any item on the premises has been sprayed with sanitiser prior to being placed into cold or stock storage.

As a standard, the highest levels of hand hygiene will continue to be used across all our food and beverage preparations and service. How has the guest experience within food & beverage venues been reconsidered?





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The guest experience within our food & beverage venues has been reconsidered with COVID-safe regulations in place. Changes to the guest experience includes:

- The introduction of digital menus which are accessed via QR code
- One-off consumables such as salt, pepper, sugar, napkins etc. available upon request only
- Social distancing regulations in place throughout each venue
- All foods at ordering points in cafes are wrapped and pre-packaged
- Buffet programs have been overhauled to consider individually wrapped options and to be strictly supervised by team members
- Hand sanitiser available at all venues
- Communal newspapers, books, toys etc. have been removed
- In-room delivery service is available

# What measures are being taken to ensure safety and hygiene during meetings and events?

Oaks is looking forward to hosting your next meeting or event and offering you and your guests the peace of mind that your health and safety has been looked after. The following COVID-safe regulations will be implemented:

- Social distancing is given paramount consideration, with tables set up in accordance with COVID-safe guidelines.
- Meeting and event spaces are cleaned and sanitised at an increased frequency to the most stringent standards
- Boxed meals are available as an F&B option rather than shared buffet style meals

