

Adults' Health and Care

Update for care providers



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Coronavirus (COVID-19) Department of Health and Social Care alert: Tiger protective goggles and frames

Dear Provider

We are writing to make you aware of an alert that has been received from the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) relating to **Tiger protective goggles and frames**, and advise you of action that you should take resulting from this.

It is possible that you may have been supplied with such equipment from the Local Resilience Forum Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) stock.

We have been advised that these products are not suitable for use in settings where COVID-19 is present. These products are therefore being removed from the PPE supply chain.

Product details

Tiger Medical Products: Protective Goggles and Frames

Product Codes PG0001 – F and PG0001-L

Barcode for Frames: 6948548400132; Barcode for Lenses: 6948548400224

NPC for Frames (BTP083 and BTP403) and Lenses (BTP097, BTP404 and BTP439).

If you have any of these products they should **not be used**. Please ensure that they are removed from your supplies immediately and disposed of safely.

The issue identified with the products affects their safety for use in Aerosol Generating Processes (AGPs) and if they have not been used in these circumstances, there is little increased risk to the user. Nonetheless, they should still **not be used**.

An AGP is a care procedure that generates small airborne particles that may cause infection if they are inhaled. Examples are CPAP and BiPAP, airway suction and chest physiotherapy.

The alert received from the DHSC is attached below for your information.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Hampshire and Isle of Wight (HIOW) Infection Prevention and Control Service at hiow.c19ipc@nhs.net or on 08703 156601.



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Dear Colleagues,

Tiger Eye Protector Product – Removal from the Supply Chain in respect of Covid-19 use

BSI at the request of the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) have carried out a test on Tiger Eye protective goggles and frames that originated from the Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Programme (PIPP) Stock purchased in 2009.

The test has shown the product **does not meet the current requirement for splash protection required in BSN 166 (including certain testing requirements documented in BSN 168)**. As a result, this product should not be used in a Covid-19 setting, and we are removing it from the supply chain.

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Trusts will want to consider reuse of appropriate eye protection in line with the [guidance](#). If you now urgently require eye protection PPE for your organisation, please contact the National Supply Disruption Line on 0800 915 9964 for an urgent delivery.

Advice for staff

The current [Infection Prevention and Control Guidance](#) recommends that a full face shield or visor should be used when performing aerosol generating procedures (AGPs). Staff in your organisation may already have used the above Tiger Eye Protector product for non AGPs. The risk from using it in direct patient contact when not performing AGPs is limited.

If staff have used the product when performing AGPs or if otherwise they have been exposed to droplets or splashes you should communicate this to HSE through the RIDDOR route <https://www.hse.gov.uk/news/riddor-reporting-coronavirus.htm>.

Yours sincerely,



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