

## **Viral Environmental Surface Swab** for the purpose of detecting SARS-CoV-2 Virus

## **Overview**

- Self-contained environmental surface swab
- Foam swab tip premoistened with Phosphate Buffered Saline (PBS)
- PBS is generally recognized as safe for contact surfaces and is compatible with most PCR/RNA methods that detect the SARS-CoV-2 virus
- Gloves and safety glasses must be worn when sampling surfaces
- Write-on-label to document swab location, date, and time
- Must be shipped refrigerated upon sample collection

## **Procedure**



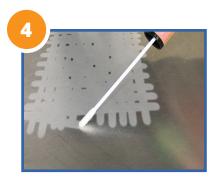
Upon receipt of the kit, ensure that the ice pack remains frozen. If necessary, freeze it beforehand for storage and sending of the sample



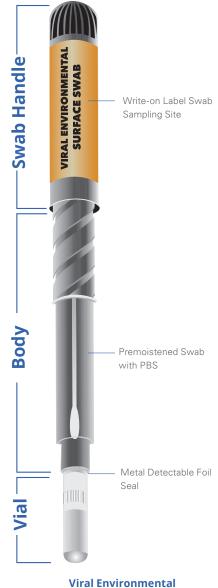
Identify the sample. The cartridge features a write-on-label to document swab location, date, and time



Put on protective gloves



Grasping black housing pull away from orange swab housing to expose the premoistened swab. Swab an area 100 cm² (16 in²). Rotate the handle to achieve full swab contact with surface.



Surface Swab



## **Procedure** (Continued)



Reinsert the swab into the cartridge housing by turning clockwise so that it is airtight



Clean the outside of the bag with an alcohol wipe and insert the completed test swab in its original housing



Place the bag with the swab, the ice pack, and the request for analysis in the insulated box

The swab is now ready for refrigerated transport to the participating lab; and, it is advised to ship as soon as possible so testing can begin within 48 hours of sampling.