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POLICY ENFORCEMENT TO PROTECT THE WELLBEING OF YOUR STAFF AND CUSTOMERS.

Common Questions We Are Asked

- As an employer, what am I required to do to help prevent worker exposure to COVID-19 infection?
- Will PPE provision allow me to meet my duty of care?
- Should I provide PPE to my workforce?
- What do the Government recommend?
- How can I source adequate quantities of PPE?
- Does my workplace need an exposure control plan specific to COVID-19?
- How can I monitor and enforce the use of PPE at my sites at all times of the day?

Our Practical Recommendations

- Follow Government guidelines wherever possible (https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-COVID-19)
- Consider lead times, it is very difficult to source adequate quantities of PPE
- Base your decision on whether to supply PPE on the results of your risk assessment
- If your risk assessment does show that PPE is required, Government guidance is to provide this free of charge to workers who require it
- Any PPE provided must fit properly
- A face covering should be worn in enclosed spaces where social distancing isn't possible

- Face coverings (e.g. cloth masks, bandanas or snoods) should be of plain, unadorned material and not have visible at any time a manufacturer's logo, pictures, text or anything that might reasonably be considered by others as offensive.
- The wearing of surgical, medical face masks or respirators should be avoided at all times to ensure vital supplies to the health service and key workers are not affected.
- Individuals should be responsible for ensuring that any and all disposable face masks / coverings they may wear during the day are removed at the end of each working day, disposed of appropriately and not left on desks or in waste bins.

How G4S Can Help

As your trusted security advisor, G4S can help you comply with health authority guidance relating to PPE. G4S can provide staff to support the enforcement of PPE compliance.

We can also design, engineer and install intelligent video systems that can forensically search for and identify face mask usage. These systems will detect and alert you to the presence (or absence) of face masks in real-time, enabling you to monitor and measure face mask compliance over time and by location.

People

Security personnel to enforce your PPE policy

Our security personnel will monitor and report on PPE compliance of employees and visitors on your premises. They will be equipped with their own PPE and will set an example for others while providing a sense of safety and a heightened customer experience.

If an individual is found to be without the appropriate PPE, our security personnel will politely reinforce your policy. Our people are trained in the appropriate use of PPE and can be available to conduct training for staff and visitors. Our security personnel will ensure that no person gains entry to your facilities without adequate PPE.

Process

Policy and procedure development for PPE usage in line with regulatory guidance

According to our health authorities, all organisations are required to take steps to limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus. In addition to providing appropriate PPE, organisations should provide appropriate training, education and information about health and safety, including proper hygiene practices and the use of PPE.

Organisations should also provide additional engineering and administrative controls, particularly in environments with a high risk of exposure. G4S can advise you of the guidelines as they pertain to your location and your industry, and more importantly, help establish and execute the appropriate controls for your organisation.

Technology

Intelligent cameras that can detect and notify whether people are wearing masks or other PPE

Video has always been a critical component in any organisation's security programme, from preventing incidents by monitoring live feeds to supporting investigations by combing through recordings for video evidence. Today, intelligent video analytics can help protect the public and help stop the spread of COVID-19.
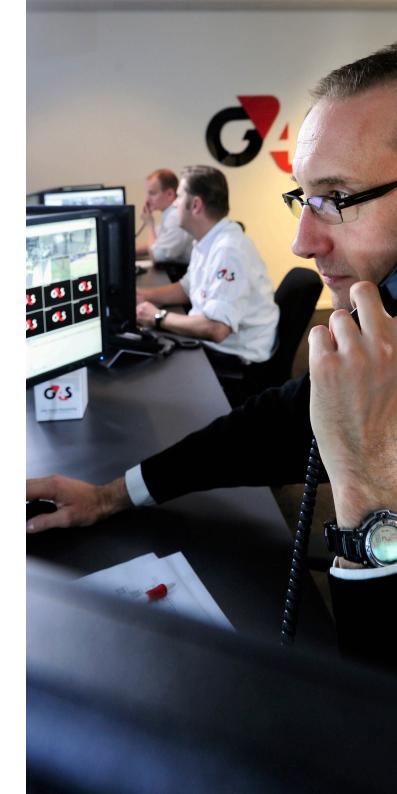
Intelligent video systems can apply face mask attribute filters to forensically search and identify face mask usage across a video. Systems will monitor face masks in real-time and alert when they are not detected. Helping you to understand face mask compliance, providing compliance metrics to help develop informed policies and procedures, and make focused improvements in compliance.

Real-time alerts on PPE usage can be delivered as notifications and provided on customizable dashboards. These systems are privacy-friendly because no personally identifiable information is collected or stored.

G4S will provide discrete but effective measures for calculating the number of people wearing masks in

your facility. Using defined processes and leveraging people or technology to enact those processes, we will help you design a solution that ensures that employees and visitors in your facilities are complying with your requirements for PPE.

We will take the time to understand your challenges and needs, and recommend the right solution. Contamination prevention requires efficient, high-quality solutions, but we recognize that every industry and location is different and has its own challenges to solve.

Knowledge Created Together

Contact

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