

# Workspace Control Solutions



As infection control and physical distancing requirements continue, employees need to have work spaces that conform to new standards. Health authorities recommend implementing workspace controls to limit the spread of COVID-19. Building engineering controls include installing high-efficiency air filters and increasing ventilation rates. Administrative controls include changes to workplace policies and sanitation practices to minimize infection sources. The list of requirements to create a safe workplace can be overwhelming, but G4S can help you implement a comprehensive solution.

As your trusted advisor, G4S will perform a hazard risk assessment and recommend appropriate security solutions aligned to the workspace controls required for your business. We can help develop policies, procedures and processes to continually manage your health and safety program against these controls and ensure alignment with your ongoing security needs. G4S offers several technology solutions to assist, such as sensor technology that can track office usage to determine movement patterns and heavy-traffic areas. These same sensors can be used to monitor, track and determine which areas are most in need of deep cleaning. Another

workspace control option to minimize infection is the use of access control systems that leverage “touchless technology.” These solutions offered by G4S can help prevent contaminated surfaces and hinder the spread of the virus.

## COMMON QUESTIONS

- What steps should I take to control virus transmission in my organization?
- How can the security tools and processes I have help impact new policy/procedure on workspace controls?
- What modifications can I make to my security systems to comply with workspace control recommendations and limit exposure to the virus through surface contamination?

G4S has organized solutions to address these questions into three, easy-to-follow categories: people, process and technology. This helps you personalize the right solution based on your needs and budget. It also can help your organization deploy a structured approach based on your organization's immediate risks and long term goals.

### PEOPLE



Risk advisors to perform a hazard risk assessment

### PROCESS



Develop policy, procedure and process to manage your physical security program aligned to the recommended workspace controls for your business

### TECHNOLOGY



Sensor technology that can discreetly track office usage to determine heavily-trafficked areas and touchless access control systems to minimize contact with surfaces



## PEOPLE

G4S offers an experienced team of security risk advisor professionals who will perform a hazard risk assessment leveraging the latest guidance from the health authorities in your area. Our risk professionals will perform a holistic assessment, ensuring that health and safety recommendations do not negatively impact your security risk profile as you consider the best way to manage your workspaces appropriately.



## PROCESS

Following a comprehensive hazard risk assessment, G4S will advise on the appropriate adjustments you should make to your physical security program to align with the workspace controls recommended by health authorities to minimize risk to staff and visitors of contracting COVID-19. Depending on your needs and budget, we may recommend that hand sanitizers be made available to all staff and at all entry points. We may recommend that key touch points such as door knobs, elevator buttons and access keypads be either cleaned regularly or replaced with “touchless” technical solutions. We may recommend plexiglass partitions that provide a safety barrier between people. We may recommend new workspace design configurations that promote physical distancing. We will keep your security needs in mind as we make any recommendations, ensuring that recommendations for traffic flow patterns or access options stay in line with your security risk tolerance as well as the health needs for your environment.



## TECHNOLOGY

G4S offers several technology solutions for workspace controls. Sensor technology can discreetly and anonymously track office usage to determine heavily-trafficked areas. Data can be sent securely to a cloud platform, mitigating concerns about employee privacy. You will have access to rich data and powerful insights to know where people are congregating in your workspace and at what times of the day. By understanding this data you can more adequately provide workspace controls for physical distancing. And by understanding where your employees have been, you can determine which areas are most in need of deep cleaning.

If you have an access control system in your building you may wish to consider a “touchless access solution,” such as a Bluetooth enabled system, and possibly a system equipped with facial recognition to minimize exposure to potentially contaminated surfaces. Access control systems are a key aspect to your security program but they can require personnel to interact with them in a physical way. We may recommend that you replace your key card or pin pad system given that they provide excellent surfaces for germs to hide and spread.

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