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Did you know paper towels are the most hygienic option for hand drying?



Single-use towels offer the most effective and most hygienic hand washing solution compared to jet air dryers.

Towels are hygienic:

Paper towels are critical to proper hand hygiene, as they can remove up to **77% of the bacteria** that remains on hands after washing.



Jet air dryers blow water droplets containing bacteria from the hands **as far as 6.5 feet** and **linger in the air for up to 15 minutes.**



The inner surfaces of a jet air dryer can harbor **48 times more bacteria** than found on a toilet seat.



Jet air dryers can actually increase bacteria by **42% on users' fingers** during the drying process

Towels are preferred:



The World Health Organization recommends single-use paper towels in its patient safety instructions for health care workers.¹



90% of people show a preference for paper towels over jet air dryers in the washroom.

1. WHO "Hand Hygiene Guidelines for Health Care Workers"

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