

VI Distribution Ltd continue to operate and deliver to sites across the country

VI continues to operate with a reduced number of staff, where possible staff are working from home and in line with government advice the warehouse continues to dispatch orders on a daily basis with social distancing measures in place with the aim to continue to offer the highest level of service.

Deliveries are mainly operating as normal however for more information on any delivery changes and VI contact information please [CLICK HERE](#).

Where possible please continue to place your orders online at www.vidistribution.co.uk

Supply Chain and Product Update

In order to help keep sites operational and to keep the construction and other industries open VI are working hard to improve availability of all standard stocked items along with an increased range of cleaning and sanitising products and general site operating supplies, all in line with the government advice and changes to the **Site Operating Procedures (SOP)**, which were published by the Construction Leadership Council.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to view the extended range, of which will be continued to expand over the coming days and weeks.

One challenge faced has been the break down in certain supply chains, some manufactures for the time being have closed and others offer a reduced service. That said the stock of VI's most popular items are holding up well.

PPE

One area of stock which has been effected are certain items of PPE.

Much has been said regarding PPE availability in the press and VI have been seeing this on some of the products that they would normally stock. Understandably manufactures are prioritising the NHS and healthcare providers and therefore those said items are becoming harder to source in terms of availability and price.

Please see following, a list of products impacted by the break down in supply chain and what actions VI are taking in the short to medium term in order to overcome this shortfall...

Disposable Masks and Respirators

Disposable masks have been unavailable for some time and VI's stock lasted until around the last week of March. Replacement stocks of the normal range of moulded and fold flat P2, P2V, P3V from their traditional manufactures are still to be advised and VI are unable to place any orders for these at this time.

FFP2 Disposable Masks: as an interim option VI will be able to offer a FFP2 mask of which the first delivery is expected mid May. Due to supply and demand the cost of this interim mask is much higher than normal, due to the manufactures increased costs for raw material and also the cost of shipping effected by the lack of shipping space available globally.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information and specification sheet for this mask.

These masks will be offered individually as pricing is extremely volatile and ultimately based on availability.

FFP3V Disposable Masks: Currently unavailable, as and when this changes we will provide an update.

P3 Half Masks: Availability of these is limited. As and when they are available VI have been contacting the customers who have been on a call back list.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to view the range of half masks currently available.

Please speak to the sales office for the most up to date pricing and to purchase any masks, currently these items are not available to buy online.

Coveralls

Chemsplash white paper coveralls type 5/6, normally stocked by VI are unavailable and no expected date for stock orders placed. Last week some 3M coveralls in size XL were secured, however most of which have been sold.

Call our sales office for up to date information.

Safety Specs

Stock has been secured of some styles of safety specs and pricing of which has changed.

Speak to the office for temporary pricing of safety specs.

Gloves

Nitrile, Latex and Vinyl disposable gloves are currently very difficult to source, however VI have managed to locate stock of certain sizes but the supply is very sporadic.

Alternative gloves styles are available with very good stock levels, which may be worth considering. Depending on the application where you would normally use a disposable glove VI are able to offer PU Coated, Foam Nitrile or Nitrile flock lined gloves, all of which are very popular within this industry and others and good stocks of these have been secured.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view alternative glove range also available online

Please call the sales office for pricing and more up to date information on disposable gloves.

Hand Sanitiser

VI have good stock of both 5Ltr and 200ml bottles of 70% Hand sanitiser

Pricing for this product has been reduced.

Disinfectant

VI have sourced a specialist product called 'Control'. This product is used to clean and disinfect hard surfaces and It is has been proven to be effective in killing the COVID-19 virus.

Available in 500ml Spray bottles, [CLICK HERE](#) to view more information on this product and a datasheet.

The expectation is that the availability and pricing on the above highlighted products will be disrupted for some time. Things have been changing very quickly and we are doing our best to manage our stock and prices and where possible we will keep you updated on any major changes.

The best way to get the most up to date information is to call our office on **01270 750 520**.

In the meantime from all the team at VI Distribution Ltd we would like take this opportunity to thank you for your business and please keep safe.

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