

**Does the Patient have any of the following Signs and Symptoms?**

- Fever
- Headache
- Muscle aches
- Backache
- Swollen lymph nodes
- Chills
- Exhaustion
- Rash (Appears after 1-5 days)

**AND**

Has an epidemiological link to a confirmed or probable case of monkeypox in the 21 days before symptom onset

**OR**

Reported a travel history to West or Central Africa in the 21 days before symptom onset



**No**

Follow standard IPC guidance  
No further action required



**Yes**

Isolate Patient



Contact Microbiology consultant to discuss patient and to arrange testing for confirmation

ALL SUSPECTED CASES SHOULD BE DISCUSSED WITH UKHSA 03442253560 option 2

**PPE for Suspected Case**

- Apron
- Fluid Resistant Surgical Face Mask
- Visor / Eye Protection
- Disposable Gloves

**PPE for Confirmed Case**

- Long Sleeve Gown
- FFP3 Mask
- Visor / Eye Protection
- Disposable Gloves



**Waste Disposal**

**Instructions for use**

- **Inner packaging** - UN approved bulk **YELLOW** clinical waste bag (not tiger stripe), bag to be closed as per bag approval.
- **Outer packaging** - 60L WIVA™ container with a Solid lid.
- **UN3549** label must be added to the WIVA™ container and waste management team should be notified.
- 60L WIVA™ container **SHOULD NOT** be placed in Large yellow bins with other clinical waste, contact the waste management team for collection.



**Cleaning**

- Inform WSO Supervisor a terminal clean is required for Monkeypox.
- PPE to be worn as above.

**Laundry for suspected case**

- To be placed in an alginate bag and placed in a linen bag.

**Laundry for Confirmed case**

- Follow waste disposal instructions.

**HELP**

Contact Infection Prevention & Control  
ext. 5900  
or  
Microbiology Consultant out of hours Via  
Switchboard

**Samples**

- Should be taken using the correct Viral Transport media (VTM).
- Double bagged with PRIORITY 10 label on outside.
- Transported to the lab using the Red specimen box.



**Occupation Health / Infection Prevention & Control: Contact Tracing**

Follow the Link for Contact tracing guidance and classification

[Monkeypox contact tracing guidance: classification of contacts and advice for vaccination and follow up \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/principles-for-monkeypox-control-in-the-uk-4-nations-consensus-statement/principles-for-monkeypox-control-in-the-uk-4-nations-consensus-statement)

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