Dealership opening in Germany – ZDK Guidelines

General Guidelines

- Inform the employees about the general hygiene rules (keeping your distance, greetings without a handshake, cough / sneeze into the inside of your elbow, regular hand cleaning, avoid touching the face, etc.).
- Sales advisors should wash their hands thoroughly with soap for at least 20 to 30 seconds before and after each customer contact.
- Ensure that hygiene rules are clearly visible to customers.
- Regularly clean / disinfect the surfaces touched by customers and employees such as door handles, telephones and toilets.
- In toilets, use liquid soap (do not use bar soap) and hygienic hand drying (e.g. paper towels, do not use cloth towels).

Set up clearly visible information on the distance rules for customers.

- Keep a distance of at least 1.5 m between the customer and the sales advisor.
- If a group of customers visit the dealership, ensure that gatherings are limited to a maximum of 2 people plus 1 sales advisor, observing the minimum distance of 1.5 m.
- Observe a minimum distance of 1.5 m from any other customers who are viewing another vehicle.

Reception

- In the reception area, to ensure that the minimum distance of 1.5 m is kept, use floor markings and signs to avoid queuing of customers.
- In the case of receptions with several workplaces next to one another, the minimum lateral distance of 1.5 m should be kept by placing the desks apart or, if necessary, leaving one workstation free.
- Set up a one-way system at entrances and exits.
- Attach panes or plexiglass panels as "spit protection".
- Regularly clean / disinfect Surfaces such as payment systems that are touched by customers and / or employees.

- Ask customers to pay as cashless as possible, with the payment system kept at least 1.5m away from the cashier.
- If signatures are necessary, set up a glass separator and use ballpoint pens that can be disposed of it in a special container. These pens should be either disinfected before reuse or disposed of.

Waiting area

- Regularly clean / disinfect areas that are touched by customers / employees.
- Separate seats with a minimum distance of 1.5 m apart so that customers have enough space to wait without the risk of infection.
- Avoid displaying newspapers / magazines if possible.
- Clean / disinfect tablets / screens with touch function for customer information after use by a customer.

Vending machines

 Either do not allow customers to use vending machines or ensure these are regularly disinfected.

Children's play areas

- These should either be shut or have strict access rules (only one child or only one child per family has access).
- If the play area is shut, have disposable toys or customers' children (e.g. colouring sets to take away).
- If the play area is open, provide toys that can be disinfected after use.

Showroom

- In the showroom, ensure the minimum distance of 1.5 m: Customers can only access them with a sales consultant, or a person in charge of the dealership.
- Sales advisors and customers should not sit in the interior of a car at the same time.
- Clean the contact surfaces in the vehicle interior after each inspection or use disposable protective sets for the seat, steering wheel, gear lever, handbrake lever during the inspection.

- Ventilate vehicles sufficiently after each visit.
- If possible, do not reuse product brochures and information material after the customer has returned them.

Showroom / Offices

- Regularly clean / disinfect areas that are touched by customers / employees.
- Ensure a minimum distance of 1.5 m between the sales consultant and the customer by designing the appropriate seating.
- If signatures are necessary, set up a glass separator and use ballpoint pens that can be disposed of it in a special container. Either these used pens are disinfected before reuse or they are disposed of.

During a test drive

- During the test drive, the sales advisor and the customer should not sit in the demonstration vehicle at the same time.
- Clean the contact surfaces in the vehicle interior after each use or use onetime protection sets for the seat, steering wheel, gear lever, handbrake
- Ventilate demonstration vehicles sufficiently after each use.

Delivery of vehicles

- Clean the contact surfaces in the vehicle interior after each use or use disposable protective sets for the seat, steering wheel, gear lever, hand brake lever.
- Ventilate the vehicle well before handing it over.
- Sales advisors and customers should not seat in the vehicle at the same time.
- If possible, explain the vehicle's functionalities using video presentations
- If signatures are necessary, set up a glass separator and use ballpoint pens that can be disposed of it in a special container. These pens should be either disinfected before reuse or disposed of.
- If gifts like flowers or chocolates are handed over, they should already be inside the vehicle.
- Refrain from shaking hands

Information on cleaning contact surfaces in the vehicle interior

When cleaning / disinfecting vehicles, wipe the surfaces such as the steering wheel, dashboard, gear lever, steering column lever, rear view mirror, fuel cap and door handles with a commercially available cleaner. The use of disinfectants is not absolutely necessary.

The following should be noted:

- Use disposable gloves, with mechanically heavy loads, wear tear-resistant protective gloves (do not touch your face even with gloves!).
- Carry out wiping (only spraying on the cleaner and letting it work is less effective).
- Use cloths only once and then dispose of them.
- Allocate work tools to a person or clean them with commercially available cleaners and disposable towels before handing them over; no multiple use of cloths / rags.