Sport Ball cleaning recommendations follow CDC, state, and local guidelines for health and safety. The following link provides common definitions for Sterilization, Disinfection, and Cleaning in Healthcare Facilities, but may be useful for one attempting to clean a ball (including; basketball, softball, football, soccer ball, volleyball, and baseball) with cover material made of leather, composite, or PU leather:

[https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/guidelines/disinfection/introduction.html](https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/guidelines/disinfection/introduction.html)

To ensure applicable health and safety protocols, the user is responsible for determining the best method based on ball covering material, playing environment, and cleaning intervals.

- **Soap and Water Method**
  - Dirt and debris can be removed by using a damp cloth with soap and water, using moderate pressure.
  - Be careful not to oversaturate the ball.
  - Allow to air dry.

- **Disinfecting Wipe Method**
  - Limited disinfecting may be achieved by using a disinfecting wipe and moderate pressure to wipe the entire surface of the ball.
  - Be careful not to oversaturate the ball.
  - Allow to air dry.

We do not recommend using bleach and alcohol-based cleaning products, or excessively frequent cleanings, as those may degrade ball covering material and ball markings, and impact overall ball performance.

We will continue to review all available information and will update our recommendations as new developments occur.