

Table 2 Personal protection practices and disposal of medical waste among dentists (n = 395) in the West Bank and Jerusalem, 2019

Personal protection practices	No. (%)
<i>Always wear gloves during patient treatment</i>	391 (99.0)
<i>Always change gloves between patients</i>	389 (98.5)
<i>Always use soap for handwashing</i>	350 (88.6)
<i>Always wear a face mask</i>	327 (82.8)
<i>Always change visibly contaminated laboratory coats/gowns</i>	322 (81.5)
<i>Always wear double gloves with a patient known to have an infectious disease</i>	307 (77.7)
<i>Always use a paper towel to dry their hands</i>	300 (75.9)
<i>Always wash hands after gloving</i>	296 (74.9)
<i>Always remove gloves while walking around</i>	278 (70.4)
<i>Always wear a uniform with long sleeves</i>	278 (70.4)
<i>Recap the needle using a single-handed method</i>	243 (61.5)
<i>Dispose of the sharps box in a special container</i>	225 (57.0)
<i>Always wear sterile gloves during surgical procedures</i>	216 (54.7)
<i>Always decontaminate their hands using disinfectant solution</i>	208 (52.7)
<i>Always wash hands before gloving</i>	165 (41.8)
<i>Always change the face mask for each patient</i>	67 (17.0)
<i>Always wear eye-protection during patient treatment</i>	67 (17.0)
<i>Use yellow bags for disposing of non-sharps waste</i>	66 (16.7)
<i>Use red bags for disposing of infectious waste</i>	23 (5.8)