Cleaning Instructions Aluminium





Powder Coated & Anodised Surfaces

Regular cleaning of your aluminium windows and doors is required to preserve the anodised or powder coated surface finish.

Deterioration of the surface finish occurs mainly as a result of grime deposition and contaminated moisture particles from the surrounding environment attaching to the aluminium surface where they can attack and cause irreparable damage to the coating. This is particularly relevant in coastal and pool environments where airborne salt and sulphur particles are prevalent.

The finish on your windows and doors should be treated and washed in a similar way to the paint work on your car.

Frequency

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- **<u>Rural & Suburban Environments</u>** the maximum period between cleaning should never be more than six (6) months.
- <u>Coastal, Pool & Industrial Environments</u> more frequent cleaning is necessary here with the maximum period between cleaning being no more than three (3) months.

• **Extreme Environments** (ie. sites within 500 mtrs of the coast line and/or conditions involving the deposition of heavy grime and atmospheric pollutants) - monthly cleaning advisable to prevent deterioration.

Cleaning Instructions

Using any of the Recommended Cleaning Products mentioned below, follow the directions of use employing hand cleaning techniques. Thoroughly rinse off any detergent residue with clean water. Hosing with pressure must be avoided under any circumstances.

Dry preferably with a chamois, or alternatively with a soft cloth. The cleaning of the product should be performed at a time that will allow the aluminium to dry quickly, preferably early in the morning.

Recommended Cleaning Products

- Kitten Ultra Glo Wash, or
- Turtle Wax Car Wash

NOTE: Use only the above mentioned cleaning products. Do not use alternative products by the same or other manufacturers without written authorisation from G.James.

Do not under any circumstances use an abrasive cleaning agent or implement as this will severely damage the surface of the material.