

Aluminum Fence & Railing Guidelines Cleaning & Care

Ensure regular cleaning

As with many coated surfaces, regular cleaning will extend the life of the surface and retain

its appearance. Cleaning should be conducted routinely at three-month intervals and six months should be considered the longest interval. In industrial or marine locations particular attention should be paid to regular care due to the harsher atmosphere.

- Clean with a dilute solution of mild liquid detergent and warm water. Avoid excessively
- hot solutions. Automotive based car wash detergents and standard deck cleaning
- detergents can also be used. Be sure to read all manufactures directions to make sure
- it is safe for use of painted surfaces. It is recommended that a small test area be
- checked first.
- Use a soft bristle brush or cotton rag. Do not use abrasive tools on the coating. After
- cleaning, rinse thoroughly with fresh water. Ensure that areas that are not normally
- exposed to rain are washed and rinsed also.
- An electric pressure washer may also aid in cleaning. The use of a pressure washer
- with greater than 1,500 PSI and/or applied to closer that 10" from the surface could
- damage the powder coat surface.
- Do not use strong solvent type cleaners. Where the use of solvent is required, such as
- cleaning paint spills, use nothing other than Methylated Spirits. Ensure that the contact
- time is as short as possible, and rinse the solvent cleaner thoroughly from the surface
- with copious amounts of fresh water. It is strongly recommended that a small test area
- be checked first. To ensure that no damage will occur to the whole area.
- Do not use Acetates, Dulon Thinners, Methyl Ethyl Ketone (MEK) or Petrol products.
- Highly acidic cleaners are not recommended either.
- If you reside in a cold weather climate where ice and snow periodically come in contact
- with your deck, use calcium chloride or rock alt to melt the ice and snow