

# Aftercare Guidelines for UPVC & Garage Door Resprays

Your newly resprayed UPVC windows, doors, and garage door have been finished with specialist, durable, and UV-resistant paint. Following these simple steps will help ensure the longevity of the coating.

## 1. Curing Time:

The paint is dry to the touch soon after application, but it requires a **curing** period to reach its maximum hardness and durability.

- Avoid Contact: Do not clean the newly sprayed surface for at least 7 days after application.
- Initial Caution: While the finish will be fully operable, be extra gentle for the first **7-14** days. Avoid leaning objects against the surfaces or subjecting them to any heavy abrasion or impact while the paint cures.

### 2. Routine Cleaning:

Regular cleaning is the most important step in maintaining the appearance of your respray.

- **Frequency:** Clean your resprayed surfaces every **3-6 months** or as needed to remove dirt and grime.
- Cleaning Solution: Use only warm, soapy water and a mild, non-abrasive detergent.
- Cleaning Tools: Use a soft sponge or a soft microfibre cloth.
- **Technique:** Gently wipe the surface to remove dirt. **Avoid aggressive scrubbing**.
- **Rinse and Dry:** Rinse the surfaces thoroughly with clean water to remove all soap residue, and then dry with a soft, clean cloth.

#### 3. What to Avoid:

To protect the integrity of the spray finish, **never** use the following products or methods:

| <u>Category</u>      | Item to Avoid  | Reason   |
|----------------------|--|--|
| Cleaning<br>Products | Solvents, methylated spirits, white spirit, bleach, cream cleaners, or abrasive powders. | These chemicals can break down the paint coating and cause permanent damage, discolouration, or peeling. |
| Cleaning<br>Tools    | Scouring pads, wire wool, hard-bristle brushes, or abrasive sponges.                     | These will scratch and dull the smooth factory-finish of the respray.                                    |
| Cleaning<br>Method   | Pressure washers or jet washers.   | The high-pressure water stream can lift or chip the paint, particularly around edges and seams.          |

# 4. Inspection and Maintenance:

- **Regular Checks:** Periodically inspect your resprayed surfaces for any signs of damage, such as deep scratches or impact marks.
- Minor Damage: If you notice a small chip or scratch, contact Spray Tech North West
  Ltd immediately. Minor repairs can often be rectified quickly with a touch-up to prevent
  further deterioration. Do not attempt to use off-the-shelf paint as this may void your
  guarantee.

## 5. Warranty:

 Improper cleaning or misuse of the windows/doors causing damage to the painted surfaces is not covered under the warranty. \*PLEASE SEE TERMS AND CONDITIONS DOCUMENT\*

Many thanks,

Spray Tech North West LTD.