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## Cleaning & Maintenance

Dirt and other deposits may naturally accumulate due to specific environmental conditions. These build ups and deposits take away from the original aesthetic properties. AL13® recommends implementing a regular cleaning program to maintain the best possible appearance.

## **General cleaning:**

- Surfaces may be cleaned with water using a soft brush or sponge free of debris. Avoid excessive rubbing.
- If necessary, surfaces may be cleaned with a mild detergent (pH 6 7) or cleaning agent diluted 1:50 parts water. Some cleaning products may damage the finish. Using highly acidic or alkaline cleaning agents may corrode the aluminium and paint If unsure, complete a small test area in an inconspicuous location before proceeding. If the solution results in any irregularities to the finish, discontinue use immediately. Always use all recommended safety precautions including appropriate skin and eye protection to prevent irritations or burns.
- After cleaning occurs, surfaces should be rinsed with clean water to remove any residue that might be present.
- To reduce the appearance of water spots or streaking, surfaces should be squeegeed or wiped dry with a clean cloth before the water is allowed to do so naturally. Surfaces heated by the sun will dry more quickly.

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## **Do Not**

- Do not clean AL13<sub>®</sub> using steel wool or abrasive pads.
- Do not clean AL13<sub>®</sub> with Acetone, paint thinners or removers.
- Do not clean AL13 $_{\ensuremath{\circledast}}$  with highly acidic or alkaline solutions.
- Do not clean AL13<sub>®</sub> with a pressure washer.

