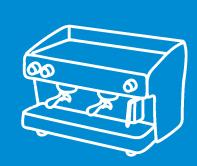
# COMMERCIAL coffee machine cleaning tips & hints



#### **Every time you turn on your machine**

- Wipe the group handle and filter basket clean and rinse in fresh water.
- Insert your group handle to warm it up.
- Purge the steam wand to expel any condensation.
- Flush water through each head to ensure it is clear of any cleaning agent from the day before.
- Make one coffee through each head to make sure all chemical residue is gone and to check your grind and dose are correct.

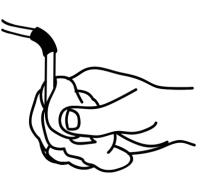


#### **Every time you make a coffee**

- Immediately prior to every extraction, flush the group head and the group handle with the free pour button.
- After every use of the steam wand, expel any leftovers from the wand and wipe it down with a clean, damp cloth.

#### Instructions for the daily clean

At the end of each day you should clean all the major parts of your machine, as per below:



- Clean the spent coffee out of the group handle and remove the filter basket.
- Empty the contents of the drip tray.
- Wrap a clean cloth around the steam wand and turn it on. This will loosen any milk remaining in the wand.
- Run the steam wand for a few seconds, then carefully remove the cloth (as it will be extremely hot) and wipe the wand clean.
- Use a head cleaning brush to remove any coffee build up on the group head.
- Put the blind filter into the group handle.

- Dissolve a small amount (5 cent piece size) of commercial chemical cleaner with hot water into the group handle.
- Lock the group handle into the group head and back flush the chemical through the group head using the free pour button for 5 seconds. Repeat this back flush two more times, leaving the chemical sit in the head for 2 to 3 minutes.
- Remove the group handle and rinse it with water from the group head, agitating the aroup handle in the aroup head at the same time.











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- Lock the group handle back into the group head and back flush clean water with the free pour button for 5 seconds. Repeat this process 2 more times.
- Remove the group handle, rinse with water from the group head and check the water is free of coffee and chemical residue. Repeat the flushing process if it is contaminated.
- You will now have run fresh water through the head for a combined time of at least 30 seconds. This should be enough to confidently

- clear out all the chemical used in the cleaning process. However, if you still notice chemical or water cloudiness, repeat the above process again.
- Take the drip tray, group handle, filter basket and steaming enhancer attachment if supplied and hand wash in warm soapy water. Do not put any of these items in a dishwasher or clean them with harsh scourers.
- Dry every machine component fully before reuse.

#### Signs your machine is overdue for a major clean

- 1. It seems to be taking longer to extract even though the grind setting, the amount of coffee you're using and your dose appears correct.
- 2. Your cups of coffee are starting to taste dirty and/ or burnt.
- 3. You're not enjoying your coffee as much as you used to.
- 4. The machine or milk steamer is making unusual noises and not performing consistently.
- 5. Customers simply aren't complimenting you on your coffee any more.

### When will your machine need to undertake a deep clean?

With commercial coffee machines we recommend that you undertake a deep clean every six months. Due to the complexity of the Thermosyphon System (Heat Exchanger and a Boiler), this process can only be carried out by a certified espresso machine service technician.

If you are using filtered water, depending on the water hardness and what else you have plumbed into it, the filter should be changed every 6 months along with a service by a certified espresso machine service technician.

If your coffee machine in on loan from Merlo, your account manager will schedule your regular six month deep clean and machine service for you.







