



POWDER COAT CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Maintaining Finish

- Over time and exposure to the elements, a powder coating finish may show signs of wear and weather, such as reduced gloss, chalking, and color loss. A consistent cleaning schedule will help remove dirt, grime, and the other harmful buildup that contributes to the damage.
- GG Schmitt recommends using warm filtered water and a mild detergent, like a PH Neutral liquid dishwashing soap, to remove surface deposits, dust, salt, etc. Clean with a soft cloth, sponge, or soft bristled brush, and be sure to rinse thoroughly with filtered water after cleaning.
- Avoid sharp impacts from heavy objects to prevent chipping of the surface.
- In a saltwater environment, powder coat should be rinsed after each use

Do Not

- Use paint thinners or solvents such as Acetone, Mineral Spirits, Lacquer thinners, Turpentine, White Spirits
- Use chlorine or harsh cleaning solutions
- Rub the powder coat excessively, especially the metallic finishes
- Get sunscreen on your powder coating finish, as some brands may affect painted finishes
- Use unfiltered tap water or ground water when cleaning a powder coating finish

Additional Protection

- Apply non-abrasive car wax with a UV blocker on powder coated surfaces, such as outdoor furniture, outdoor lighting fixtures, stairways, handrails, guardrails, and fences.

Harmful Elements

- The effects of atmospheric pollution, airborne salt, dirt, and grime accumulate over time and should be cleaned at regular intervals.
- UV exposure will degrade the color and the finish, especially for darker colors
- Harmful chemicals should be removed immediately. The damage from solvents and thinners may not be immediately visible since it can take up to twelve months for damage to appear