

PLEXIGLAS® SHEET: Cleaning Recommendations

ACRYLIC SHEET

CLEANING RECOMMENDATIONS: Cleaning Directions

Washing

Wash Plexiglas® sheet with a mild soap or detergent and a lukewarm water solution. Use a clean soft cloth or sponge and as much solution as possible. Rinse well. Dry by blotting with a damp cloth or chamois.

To remove tar, grease, paint, etc., use a good grade of naphtha or kerosene. Users of these solvents should become familiar with their properties to handle them safely.

Do not use: Window cleaning fluids, scouring compounds, gritty cloths, leaded or ethyl gasoline or solvents such as alcohol, acetone, carbon tetrachloride, etc.

Polishing

Apply a thin, even coat of a good grade of automobile paste wax (not a cleaner-wax combination) with a soft clean cloth to protect the surface of the Plexiglas® sheet and maintain its luster. Buff lightly with a clean cotton flannel or jersey cloth. After polishing, wipe with a clean damp cloth to ground any electro-static charges which may attract dust particles.

Cleaning Contaminations

Masking Paper Adhesive: Use a hydrocarbon solvent such as VM&P naphtha, kerosene, or mineral spirits. Follow with a detergent-water wash and a CLEAN water* rinse..

Water-soluble Contaminants: Wash with a detergent-water solution followed by a fresh water* rinse.

Fingerprints: Wipe with soft CLEAN cloth lightly dampened with isopropyl alcohol. Avoid contact with the edges of the sheet since they may be areas of high stress.

Oil-soluble Contaminants: Use a hydrocarbon solvent such as VM&P naphtha, kerosene, or mineral spirits. Follow with a detergent-water wash and a CLEAN water* rinse.

Spray-masking Compounds: Wipe the area with a damp synthetic sponge then wipe the surface with VM&P naphtha.

Grease-forming Compounds: Wash with kerosene or mineral spirits. Followed by washing with a detergent-water solution and a CLEAN water* rinse.

Silicone Oils and Greases Avoid contact completely: Once contaminated with silicones, Plexiglas® sheet is virtually impossible to clean.

***Note:** When a clean water rinse is specified, use distilled or deionized water to prevent water spotting which may adversely affect adhesion when painting Plexiglas® sheet.

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