

Care and Maintenance

Plastic decorative laminate provides a durable surface that is easy to maintain using ordinary care.

To maintain the laminate's lasting beauty, cleaning with a solution of warm water and liquid dishwashing detergent is all that should be required in most cases.

Stains may be removed with most non-abrasive household cleaners such as FORMULA 409®, FANTASTIK®, GLASS PLUS®, or WINDEX WITH AMMONIA D®. Light scrubbing with a soft bristled brush may be necessary to remove stains from the depth of the structure on some textured surfaces.

If the stain persists, use a paste of baking soda and water and apply with a soft bristled brush. Light scrubbing for 10-20 strokes should remove most stains. Although baking soda is a low abrasive, excessive scrubbing or exerting too much force may damage the decorative surface, especially if it has a gloss finish.

Stubborn stains that resist any of the above cleaning methods may require the use of undiluted household bleach. Apply the bleach to the stain and let stand no longer than 1 - 1/2 minutes. Rinse thoroughly with warm water and wipe dry. This step may be repeated if the stain appears to be going away and the color of the laminate has not been affected. **WARNING:** Prolonged exposure of the laminate surface to bleach will cause discoloration.

Many commercially available products contain substances that may damage or discolor a laminate surface. **ABRASIVE CLEANERS SHOULD NOT BE USED.** Particular care should be used with any products labelled **CAUTION** or **WARNING**. Do not allow harsh materials to remain in contact with the laminate surface. Examples of these are as follows:

- Toilet bowl cleaners
- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Oven cleaners
- Drain cleaners
- Metal cleaners and polishes
- Chlorine bleach
- Coffee pot cleaners
- Hard water stain removers
- Fruit and berry juice
- Tub and tile cleaners