

EFFECTIVE MEANS OF CLEANING ZINC ALLOY DIECAST *SERIES TOILET PARTITION HARDWARE* Quick & easy tips for keeping the finish looking great

Retaining a great finish on Plated Zinc Alloy Toilet Partition Hardware surfaces is just a matter of a few simple steps.

And you don't need any expensive cleaning agents or special equipment – ordinary household cleaners are usually all that's required. You just need to bear in mind a few easy DOs and DON'Ts ...

KEEPING ZINC ALLOY DIECAST CLEAN

- * Metlam Zinc Alloy TPH looks best if it's cleaned regularly with plenty of water.
- *Drying afterwards makes sure streaky marks aren't left behind.
- *Wiping with a damp cloth is basically ineffective, as it can smear dirt without removing it.
- *Routine cleaning prevents any stubborn stains building up.

WHAT TO USE:-

For day to day cleaning, plenty of water, some mild detergent and a cloth or soft brush will do the job.

You can use a 1% ammonia solution but, don't use bleach – it's just too easy to make the solution too strong

making it difficult to properly rinse it off the surface afterwards.

After washing, thoroughly rinse with clean water and wipe the surface dry with a soft absorbent cloth.

On brushed Zinc Alloy Diecast, follow the direction of the grain for best results.

An excellent cloth to use is 3M's Scotch-Brite high performance cleaning cloth.

AVOID SCRATCHES!

Remember, Zinc Alloy Diecast or Plated ABS can be scratched by careless handling or aggressive scrubbing.

Avoid dragging rough items across the surface and be aware that grit, trapped under other materials, can actually cause surface scratches.

HANDLING TOUGH MARKS & STAINS

Here's how to get rid of the most common tough marks:

Fingerprints, oil & grease marks

If a mild detergent or dishwashing detergent doesn't shift unsightly fingermarks, eliminate them with a quality

glass cleaner on a soft cloth. Also, use of a small amount of alcohol, methylated spirits, acetone or mineral turpentine will remove these type marks.

Thoroughly rinse with clean water and dry.

Longer protection to high volume usage items can be achieved by lightly rubbing with olive oil or baby oil followed by a polish and shine using a soft cloth.

REMOVING STICKY LABELS

Remove sticky labels as soon as possible.

Gentle heat from a hair dryer or a glue gun generally softens the glue for easy removal

Eucalyptus oil based cleaners (or eucalyptus oil on its own) often work well to remove adhesives.

Ensure you don't leave any glue on the surface – it could trap dirt or break down and cause staining.

CEMENT & MORTAR

Cement and mortar splashes should be washed off before they set.

Mild acids such as vinegar may be needed but not those using chloride rich chemicals.

Never use brick cleaning liquids which contain hydrochloric acid.

Be very careful that loosened particles don't scratch the steel surface.

NEVER EVER USE...

*steel wool (wire wool) to clean either ABS or Zinc Alloy Diecast.

* pre-used scourer

* Stainless steel wool scouring pads are available for heavy duty work, These will scratch the Zinc Alloy Diecast.

TOTALLY AVOID

* Rubbing with steel wool (wire wool) or scraping with steel tools

* Using scourers

* Rubbing plastic scourers across the grain of brushed surfaces

* Using concentrated bleach or hydrochloric acid-based cleaning

* Contact with product containing chlorine bleach, hydrochloric or muriatic acid

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