



Product Care & Maintenance Guide

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CLEANING

Soiled surfaces or light stains may be removed with warm soapy water or with a common household detergent, non abrasive or any strong acidic or alkaline ingredients.

It may be necessary to cautiously use a brush similar to a toothbrush. Wax or other polishes must not be used on decorative surfaces.

STAINS

Spills of any nature should be wiped up as soon as they occur. Laminates are resistant to most household products, however not absolutely stain proof. If a stain persists, it is suggested you apply a **mild** abrasive such as white toothpaste, with a soft toothbrush or cloth.

Never use a harsh abrasive or steel wool.

COMMON ADHESIVES AND PAINTS

May be removed cautiously with the following materials:

1. Alcohols (Methylated Spirits, Methanol)
2. Aromatics (Xylene, Petrol)
3. Aliphatics (Mineral Turpentine, Kerosene)
4. Oils (Mineral Oil, Vegetable Oil)
5. Ketones (Acetones, Nail Polish Remover)
6. Ether – Alcohols (Cello solves, Carbitoles)
7. Paint Thinners (Being a mixture of above)
8. Lacquer Thinners (Without the addition of Acid)

Note: Acidic based paint strippers must not be used

DANGER

Some of the above listed solvents are extremely flammable and vapours harmful. Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. Keep containers closed. Avoid prolonged breathing of vapours. Avoid prolonged or repeated contact with skin.

Ensure there is adequate ventilation.

LAMINATE SURFACES. DOORS – PANELS – BENCH TOPS

Laminates are not scratch-proof but rather, scratch resistant.

It is possible to permanently scratch or mark the laminate surface with an uneven or sharp implement.

Moisture will affect the board if allowed to penetrate the bench top joins (known as “Masons Mitre Joints”).

Avoid a moisture build-up in these areas; wipe away spills as they occur.

Avoid using anything that may boil over (eg: Electric kettle, etc) on these Bench Top Joins.

SCORCH MARKS – BURNS

The use of a protective mat is highly recommended to prevent the surface being scorched when a hot pot or utensil is placed on the Bench Top

The same applies to pans removed from hot plates or dishes taken from the oven, as their temperature in most instances would be in excess of 155°C (310°F).

The use of a wooden cutting board, or a commercially available heat resistant product is suggested.

DOORS – PANELS

These could be Vinyl (Membrane) Pressed Panels-Doors, Bar Back Panels, Lacquered Surfaces (Polyurethane) or Timber/Veneer Finishes.

Abrasive creams, powders and pastes may permanently alter the appearance of a laminate surface with continual use. Heavy rubbing will also denigrate the appearance.

Lacquered Surfaces (Polyurethane) or Timber/Veneer Finishes.

Never use products with a petroleum base, abrasive creams, pastes, or silicon/solvent based products on these surfaces.

Never allow hot or warm objects to come into contact with these surface finishes

To maintain surface appearance use a warm moist cloth followed by a soft dry cloth whenever spills occur.

The application of furniture polish (in particular, ones which contain silicon) and waxes **is not recommended on timber surfaces.**

ADJUSTABLE SHELVES – ACCESSORIES

Heavy objects must be placed on the base of cabinetry, especially in the wider units, as this will make the shelves bow. Or “Heavy objects” could be placed to the side of fixed or adjustable shelves.

Never immerse any shelves or doors directly into water as this could cause the timber to warp or swell.

Decorated Board products should not remain in contact with hypochlorite bleach, caustic solution, hydrogen peroxide solution in any concentrations, mineral acid, sodium bisulphate, potassium permanganate in any concentration, berry juices, silver nitrate (1% concentration), gentian violet in any concentration, mild silver protein, laundry blue dye or iodine solution (alcohol contains 1% iodine).

Sliding of heavy metallic or earthenware objects can cause scuffing of the surface.

WARRANTY

The following is not covered:

1. Any damage caused by misuse, accidents, over exposure to heat or water, reasonable wear and tear, or not maintained as recommended.
2. Any other product/materials included in the kitchen, which are not manufactured by Kitchen Innovations, such as, Appliances or other articles, are considered to be covered by their own Warranty
3. Variations to, patterns, colours and textures of laminate, vinyl, solid timber natural characteristic's or polyurethane finishes, beyond Kitchen Innovations control, are not considered to be a manufacturing defect.

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