

TIPS FOR CLEANING ACRYLIC GLASS WINDOWS

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A. General Information and Cautions

- 1. Avoid any cleaning products with ammonia as it will eat through the surface and leave the acrylic looking cloudy.
- 2. Other cleaners that should be avoided for your acrylic windows include ketones, halogens, window cleaners, kitchen scouring compounds, aromatics and solvents such as thinners, acetone, gasoline, benzene and tetrachloride. Any cleaner that is abrasive or strong enough to eat through the surface should be avoided.
- 3. If the surface of acrylic glass is scratched, use a car wax or other buffing compound to remove them. Apply the wax and use the supplied buffer to buff until the scratches are removed.

B. Steps to Clean Acrylic Glass

- 1. You will need:
 - Water
 - Non-Abrasive/Non-Contaminated Cloth
 - Mild Non-Abrasive Cleaning Agent (see C. below)
- 2. Begin by determining how strong of a cleaning solution is needed by observing the amount of dirt present.
- 3. If there is just a small amount of dust, then water is sufficient. If there is more significant dirt build up, such as outside-facing windows, then you may wish to mix in a mild, non-abrasive cleaning agent with the water.
- 4. If the surface has just a small amount of dirt, use a soft cloth moistened with water to gently wipe it away. Turn the cloth often to keep a clean side on the glass. It's important to avoid rubbing the dirt on the surface because it can cause more scratching.
- 5. For more significant amounts of dirt, use a cloth that is very wet with water. Gently swab the cloth on the surface and allow the water to lift the dirt and "rinse" it away.
- 6. Once most of the dirt has been removed with the water, use a second cloth to clean the glass using the same technique described in step B.3. above.

C. Acrylic Cleaning Agents

- White vinegar mixed with water (1:1 solution)
- Rubbing alcohol mixed with water (1:2 solution)
- Baking soda and lemon juice mixed with water (1:1:4 solution)
- Brillianize® One Step Plastic Cleaner
- API™ Safe & Easy Aquarium and Acrylic Glass Cleaner
- Tropical Science Labs Pro Glow Acrylic and Glass Cleaner
- Plexi-Clean Acrylic and Plastic Cleaner
- Prist® Acrylic Plastic and Glass Cleaner

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