CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Although Airolam's decorative and durable High-Pressure Laminates keep their look and integrity intact for a prolonged time compared to other decorative surfaces, they require minimal upkeep under normal conditions.



Regular Cleaning

Use a damp cloth or sponge with mild soap, non-bleach detergent, or all-purpose cleaning for regular maintenance. To remove tough grease from the surface we recommend ammoniated or vinegar-based glass cleaners. Don't use abrasive cleaners/powders or scrubbing pads with metal or abrasive coatings because doing so could permanently damage the laminate by causing scratches and increasing the laminate's susceptibility to stains.

Stain Removing

Almost any type of stain can be cleaned by simply wiping, however, some stubborn food stains such as that from tea, food colors, juices, or coffee, may be more challenging to get rid of. For removing such stains, it is advised to perform thorough cleaning using a short, soft-bristle nylon brush with a general-purpose cleaner. Additionally, glass rings, water stains, and oily fingerprints will be eliminated by this process.

Cleaning Ink/ Pencil Marks

It is widely observed that laminates get stained from a magazine, newspaper prints, pens, pencils, and textile dyes and eventually become permanent. Such stains must be removed at the earliest to eliminate the possibility of permanent damage. In such cases, we recommend using glass cleaner or detergent on the stain, letting the cleanser sit on the stain for a while, and after some time cleaning it with a damp cloth or rinsing the surface if necessary. Use paint thinner, denatured alcohol, or nail polish remover if the stain is very stubborn. The stain might not go away at once and may require several applications.

Removing Stains From Chemicals

Airolam's HPL laminates are resistant to almost all standard chemicals including thinners, alcohols, and cosmetics, however, concentrated chemicals such as paint thinners, hair dyes, acids, and other detergents should be handled or used carefully in the vicinity of the laminates as they can cause irreversible damage. Moreover, it is crucial to handle harsh chemicals like rust removers, toilet cleaners, and metal cleaners with utmost care to preserve the laminate finish. If you accidentally spill any of the above on the laminate, you may clean it up immediately and rinse the surface to avoid permanent etching or discoloring.

Removing Paint And Adhesive Stains

To remove stains caused by varnish, oil-based paints, or adhesives we recommend careful washing by using paint-removing solvents. Water-based paints can be removed using domestic detergents that contain ammonia. If the stain has dried and become difficult, use a plastic non-abrasive scouring pad and gently scrub & rinse the surface. NOTE:- Some solvents may harm special laminates so careful handling is advised.

Hot Objects

Although Airolam's high-pressure laminates can withstand heat, it is not advised to expose them to temperatures exceeding $135^{\circ}c$ ($275^{\circ}f$). Do not place hot objects like pots, pans, or griddles directly on the laminate, instead use heat trivets for placing hot items.

Sharp Objects

Never use sharp objects directly on the surface. Use a chopping board for eradicating any possibility of damage.