

ABET LAMINATI

CARE AND CLEANING OF LAMINATE SURFACES – R605

LAMINATE SURFACES

The hard, durable melamine surface of decorative high pressure laminates (HPL) will maintain its attractive appearance longer than most decorative surfacing materials. ABET LAMINATI decorative high pressure laminates require minimal maintenance under normal use and conditions.

CLEANING

Use a clean, damp cloth or sponge with a mild soap, detergent, or household cleaner to clean the surface. Some general purpose cleaners that may be used include PineSol®, Formula 409®, Top Job®, Lestoil®, Fantastik®, Joy®, Dow Bathroom Cleaner®, and ammoniated base glass cleaners such as Windex®.

For difficult stains such as coffee or tea use a nylon bristle brush with mild household cleaner or detergent, rinsing with clean water and repeating as necessary. If a stain persists, use Soft Scrub® (without bleach) or baking soda paste with water and apply with a soft bristled brush. Light scrubbing in a circular motion should remove most difficult stains. These products are slightly abrasive, so excessive scrubbing or exerting too much force may damage the decorative surface. Do not use on gloss finish laminates.

For stubborn stains that resist the above cleaning methods, use acetone (nail polish remover), denatured alcohol, or undiluted household bleach. Do not allow the bleach to stand on the surface for longer than 2 minutes. Rinse thoroughly with water. Repeat if the surface has not been affected and the stain appears to be disappearing. **PROLONGED EXPOSURE TO BLEACH WILL CAUSE DISCOLORATION OF THE LAMINATE SURFACE.**

ABRASIVES AND HARSH CHEMICALS

Abrasive cleaners and pads may permanently dull and scratch the laminate surface. Harsh chemicals such as oven cleaner, toilet cleaner, rust remover, ceramic cooktop cleaners, or drain cleaner will discolor and/or etch the surface of decorative high pressure laminates. This includes any cleaners containing acid, alkali, or sodium hypochlorite (bleach). If any of these products are spilled on the surface of the laminate, remove immediately, rinse thoroughly with water, and wipe dry.

HOT OBJECTS

Cookware still hot from the stove or oven should not be placed directly on the laminate surface. While high pressure laminates are heat resistant, exposure to temperatures above 135 degrees C (275 degrees F) is not recommended.

SHARP OBJECTS

Never use sharp objects such as knives directly on the surface of decorative high pressure laminates. Use a chopping block or cutting board.

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