

Cleaning & Care Instructions for Printed Aluminium Signs

Printed aluminium is easily cleaned. The printed information is sealed within the anodic layer, it is not printed on the metal surface. The surface of anodised aluminium is inherently anti graffiti and does not need additional coating or treatment. Solvents will not affect any printing on the sign but may damage the paintwork of stands or frames surrounding the printed sign. Take care and test on an unexposed area first.

Anodised aluminium can be damaged by exposure to high alkaline or acidic substances.

Do use

- ✓ Graffiti - Solvents (ie meths, turps, petrol, thinners) can be used to dissolve graffiti, (ie Nitto pens and spray paint). Spray or wipe sign with solvent, cover with a plastic sheet or cling wrap while wet with solvent to stop evaporation and let soak into graffiti. Leave a couple of minutes for solvent to soften graffiti then wipe off. Repeat if needed.
- ✓ Dirt & grime - Household cleaners or detergent and water in normal concentrations may be used safely.

Do not

- ✗ Do not use harsh cleaners with high alkaline bases (some proprietary graffiti removers). If ever used ensure thoroughly rinsed off. Detergent and cleaner residue can cause damage.
- ✗ Do not use scrapers or abrasive cleaning pads.

Preventative maintenance - After cleaning or when new.

Spraying the sign with Armourall, silicon spray, lanolin or paraffin oil will assist removal of graffiti by making it even more difficult for paint or pens to “key into” the surface of the sign. This can also provide some extra ultra violet light protection for coloured signs and clogs up Nitto pens to frustrate graffiti taggers.

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