

CARING FOR TURNSTYLE PRODUCTS

LEATHER –

Take care when fitting leather fittings; leather is a soft material which will mark with careless handling. Leather products are supplied prewaxed. Regular handling will patinate your leather with the oils from your skin; it will mature with age and show subtle colour changes with handling and exposure to light. A light polish with a quality beeswax polish before fitting and then from time to time will keep leather items in good order. All bathroom items are waxed before dispatch. Do not let metal polish come into contact with leather. Regular handling will patinate leather; ultra violet light and age will also bring about subtle colour changes in the leather. We do not recommend the use of leather in external environments. Dust is leathers biggest enemy, if product is not in use try to keep dust free.

COMPOSITES –

BLACK BRONZE

Real bronze cast into dyed marble, the bronze may dull with time, but can be revived by cleaning with "Brasso" or other brass cleaning fluids. Finish with an ordinary furniture polish and soft rag.

ALUPEWT / EBONY / COCOA

If used regularly will require very little maintenance. If not used the finish may become dull but can be cleaned with warm soapy water and finished with furniture wax or polish.

BONE

Because these are light in colour they may get dirty with time. They will clean up easily with warm soapy water and / or furniture wax or polish.

For designs with greater detail such as 'rope' a toothbrush will assist in cleaning.

BRASS (core material) -

SATIN NICKEL

Cleans very well with warm soapy water.

BRIGHT CHROME

Cleans easily with any metal polish or chrome cleaner.

POLISHED BRASS

If unlacquered, "Brasso" or other brass cleaning solutions will bring the brightness back very easily. If lacquered, use warm soapy water dry off and buff with a soft cloth.

DARK BRONZE

Cleans very well with warm soapy water or a light metal polish.

POLISHED NICKEL

Cleans very well with warm soapy water or a light metal polish.

GOLD

Clean with a very soft damp cloth and dry with a clean soft cloth. Do not attempt to clean with any abrasive material or cleaning fluids.

Never use abrasives or solvents to clean any Turnstyle products.

HINGES

Hinges should be periodically inspected for wear; all screws should be checked for tightness. Periodical lubrication with a light grade machine oil is advisable. For hinges with bearings use an aerosol lubricant such as WD-40. Where necessary wipe clean with a weak solution of washing up liquid.

LOCKS and LATCHES

Exposed surfaces can be wiped clean with a soft cloth. Do not allow polishes to enter the mechanism or the keyholes of cylinders. Forends and strike plates should not be painted when decorating as this may cause bolts to fail. When decorating it is advisable to remove locks from doors at which time they may be cleaned and inspected. Cylinders should only be lubricated with recommended solutions – do not use oil.

LEVER HANDLES

Periodically check backplate and rose fixings for tightness. Spindle grub screw should also be inspected and tightened from time to time. Badly fitted furniture can prevent the latch from operating correctly.

It is important that care is taken to maintain door furniture as many finishes are damaged by incorrect cleaning. Frequent dusting with a dry soft cloth and occasional washing with warm soapy water, followed by an application of wax polish will aid the preservation and appearance of most finishes. Chemical sprays, cellulose thinners and silicone based polishes must be avoided. External ironmongery will require more frequent attention due to its exposure to the elements. We do not advise the use of solvents, metal polishes or abrasive powders for cleaning lacquered or electro plated finishes.

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