

## AlphaPerf<sup>®</sup> Cleaning Guide

AlphaPerf<sup>®</sup> metal panel products are essentially maintenance free and only require periodic cleaning and repair of finish abrasions.

Carefully inspect all visible surfaces and immediately repair any chips or scratches in the factory coated surface using a rust inhibitive matching paint or powder coat product.

Regular cleaning of powder coated surfaces is recommended as follows:

- As the case may be, only clean water, with slight additives of neutral washing agents (pH 7), is to be used with the aid of soft, non-abrasive cloths, rags or industrial cotton. Strong rubbing is not to be undertaken.
- The removal of greasy, oily or sooty substances can take place with the use of white spirit free of aromatic compounds or isopropyl alcohol (IPA). Residues of adhesives, silicone cartouche or adhesive tapes, etc., can also be removed in this way.
- Use no solvents or similar, containing ester, ketones, alcohol, aromatics, ethylene glycol or halogenated hydrocarbon.
- Joint sealants and other aids such as glazing aids, lubricant agents, drilling and cutting lubricants etc., which come into contact with coated surfaces must be pH-neutral and free of paint damaging substances. They must first be subjected to a suitability test.
- Due to the danger of changes in a color tone or effect, a test for suitability is to be undertaken for metallic coatings.
- Use no scratching, abrasive agents.
- Use no strong acids or alkaline detergents and introfiers.
- Use no detergents of unknown compositions.
- Detergents must not be used at temperatures higher than a maximum of 25 °C.
- The surface temperature must not exceed 25 °C during cleaning. the maximum exposure period of these detergents must not exceed one hour: when necessary, the entire cleaning process can be repeated after at least 24 hours.
- Rinsing with clean cold water is to take place immediately after every cleaning process.

Under no circumstances should any high pressure water spray, compressed air, power scrubbers or brushes be used to clean the products and doing so will void all product finish warranties.

