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# Cleaning and maintenance instructions

The Spectrum collection has been coated with PreFixx protective finish, designed to be cleaned easily, over and over, without showing signs of wear. With PreFixx protection, it is possible to remove stains that could never be removed before. Now, with test-proven stain resistance and cleanability, plus superior abrasion resistance, PreFixx Spectrum Contract Vinyls protects you from high maintenance costs and from frequent upholstery costs.

## PreFixx Finish goes beyond previous protection.

#### Performance.

State-of-the-art resistance to staining, abrasion, scuffing, burnishing and blocking demonstrated in repeated laboratory tests.

## Durability.

Resists stain penetration of the vinyl for unique, long-term protection never before possible. The superior stain resistance and improved wear properties help keep PreFixx-protected Spectrum Contract Vinyls looking new for longer than other vinyl upholstery.

## Easy Maintenance.

Common stains like dirt and smudges simply wipe off. More difficult stains like ballpoint ink can be cleaned with active solvents such as nail polish remover without damaging the Prefixx finish when following recommended cleaning instructions.

#### **PreFixx Protective Finish**

- Outstanding stain resistance and cleanability most stains wash off easily with mild cleaners, but active solvents may be used to remove difficult stains.
- Abrasion resistance Wyzenbeek wire screen abrasion tests performed on behalf of Spectrum Contract Vinyls show 10 to 12 times better abrasion resistance than a similar product coated with a clear vinyl finish. These tests show the vinyl upholstery with a clear vinyl finish withstands about 6,000 test cycles while Spectrum with Prefix withstands 60,000 to 75,000 test cycles.
- Resistance to common scuffing and burnishing.
- Eliminates blocking and resists premature ageing.

#### Care & Cleaning

**Day-to-day Soil:** Remove ordinary dirt and smudges with a mild soap and warm water solution. Dry with a soft, lint free cloth or towel. For more difficult stains, use of stronger detergent is recommended however follow the detergent manufacturer's instructions closely.

**Special Cleaning Problems:** The following steps are recommended to clean stains on Prefixx protected vinyl upholstery. Many stains can be removed when these cleaning agents are used in the following order.



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Recommended cleaning solutions	
For Prefixx-coated Spectrum Contract Vinyls	
Staining Agent	Type of Cleaner
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Spray Paint	1-2-3
Permanent Felt Tip Marker Pen	1-2-3
Ballpoint Pen	1-2-3
Lipstick	1-2-3
Yellow Mustard	1-2-3
Nicotine	1-2
Grease	1-2
Crayons	1-2
Eye Shadow	1-2
Betadine	1
Coffee	1
Tea	1
Hair Oil Tonic	1
Blood	1
Urine	1
Grape Juice	1
Olive Oil	1
Motor Oil	1
Chocolate	1
Ketchup	1
Baby Oil	1

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Step 1 cleaners:- Non abrasive household bleached based cleaners such as Cif, Mr Muscle or similar household cleaners and bleaches, to be used with a soft cloth or damp sponge, following the manufacturer's instructions.

Step 2 cleaners\*:- Solvent-type cleaners such as Rubbing alcohol (isopropyl alcohol) or lighter fluid to be liberally applied with a soft cloth or damp sponge. Rinse cleaned area with fresh water and dry with clean cleth

Step 3 cleaners\*:- Strong, active solvent cleaners such as nail polish remover dissolved in 50% water (acetone/water) to be applied with soft cloth or damp sponge. Stain should be removed with less than six (6) rubs; if stain persists after six rubs, stain has set and it is unlikely that it can be removed. Rinse cleaned area with fresh water and dry with a clean cloth.

† Note: Although vinyls protected with Prefixx are resistant to most common stains, some fabric dyes have the ability to create a permanent stain. To minimise any problems from these and other stains, it is recommended that as soon as they are noticed all stains should be cleaned, making sure the recommended cleaning steps are followed in order.

\* CAUTION: These solvents are highly flammable. Exercise proper care in cleaning. Wear Rubber gloves during all cleaning activity. Use caution cleaning around buttons, stitching and wooden or other decorative trim, since these solvents could seriously damage such areas.