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## PARKLEX FACADE MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

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### Cleaning at the construction site during installation

The protective film applied in the factory must be removed from the surface of the panel immediately after it is installed on the façade.

The non-stick chemical composition of the surface of Parklex Facade panels permits most stains to be removed easily with water and household detergents. If necessary, a universal solvent (such as naphtha or White Spirit) may be used, but the surface must then be cleaned with a **NON-ABRASIVE** household detergent and water, rubbing gently.

It is recommended to always do a test cleaning of a small part of the affected area, and once the effectiveness of the procedure has been verified, proceed with the rest of the surface.

Recommendations for treating some of the most common stains that occur on a construction site include:

- **Cement stains:** If the cement is still wet, it may be cleaned off with water. If the cement has begun to set, wait for it to dry completely and then remove it with a cloth. It is important **NOT TO SCRATCH** the surface. Dry stains come off easily, with no need for scraping. Finally, clean with plenty of water.
- **Oil stains:** Use warm water and a non-abrasive household detergent. Solvents are not necessary.
- **Remains of adhesive glue:** These may be removed with a universal solvent or alcohol. In any case, always clean afterwards with soapy water.
- **Paint and primer:** Consult the manufacturer's instructions. Always consider a final cleaning with soapy water.
- **Dents and scratches:** There is no repair method for scratched or dented panels.

**Important Note:** Solvents and chemical cleaning products must be used while always obeying the appropriate health and hygiene regulations.

### Maintenance

The cleaning of Parklex Facade panels is the only maintenance that is necessary. Their surface does not need any other preventive treatment designed for wood.

## **Periodic cleaning**

The surface of Parklex Facade repels dirt, however, over time it may be necessary to clean their surface so that the panels recover their initial appearance and aesthetic qualities.

General recommendations for cleaning:

- Always use NON-ABRASIVE household detergents dissolved in water.
  - Use soft, clean cloths or sponges that won't damage the surface.
  - Always rinse with clean water to prevent the appearance of spots. Drying is not necessary.
  - Never use steel wool or Scotch Brite scouring pads, which may scratch the surface.
  - Never use abrasive cleaning powders or pastes, which may scratch the surface.
- Cleaning with pressurized water machines is not permitted.

## **Cleaning Graffiti**

The chemically-treated non-stick surface of Parklex Facade prevents aerosol paints from permanently sticking. However, their cleaning may require specific products for removing this type of paint. A final cleaning with soapy water and a final rinse with clean water are recommended.

We have available specific Resistance tests to graffiti paint for marks made with the following materials:

- Permanent blue marker
- Red spray paint
- Black paint
- Water-based black marker

If you would like to see the results of these tests, request them from Composites Gurea's sales network.

## **Repair**

There is no prescribed method for repairing Parklex Facade panels. Damaged panels must be replaced with new ones.