

# **Cleaning & Maintenance Guide for Powder-Coated Metal Frames**

#### Introduction:

Our frames feature a durable powder-coated finish using premium Sherwin-Williams and Cardinal brand powders, ensuring lasting beauty and protection. Regular cleaning and preventive maintenance are key to preserving your furniture's finish and maintaining your warranty. If you have any questions or need further assistance, our team is always here to help.

## **Regular Cleaning Instructions:**

## 1. Materials Needed:

- Soft cloth or sponge
- Mild pH-neutral soap (e.g., Dawn)
- Warm water
- Soft-bristle brush (non-abrasive)
- Lint-free towel

## 2. Cleaning Steps:

- 1. Mix warm water and a small amount of soap in a bucket.
- 2. Gently remove loose dirt with a soft cloth or sponge.
- 3. Scrub with a soft-bristle brush dipped in the soapy solution, avoiding harsh scrubbing.
- 4. Rinse with clean water to remove all soap residue.
- 5. Dry the frames thoroughly with a lint-free towel to prevent water spots.

#### **Preventive Maintenance:**

#### Frequency:

Clean your powder-coated frames every three months. In harsher environments (e.g., beachfront or industrial areas), clean more frequently—every one to two months.

## **Protection Tips:**

- Avoid Harsh Chemicals: Steer clear of abrasive cleaners and solvents that can damage the finish.
- Water Damage Prevention: Keep furniture away from sprinklers, misting systems, and standing water to prevent hard water deposits and potential damage.
- **Furniture Covers:** Use covers when furniture is not in use to protect it from the elements.

## **Maintaining and Restoring Lustre:**

## **Waxing and Sealing:**

- Carnauba Wax: Apply a high-quality carnauba wax after cleaning and drying the frames. Carnauba wax is known for providing a deep shine and excellent protection against UV rays, water, and environmental contaminants. This natural wax helps maintain the appearance of your furniture. Apply a thin layer, let it dry to a haze, and buff with a clean cloth.
- Meguiar's Ultimate Liquid Wax: For long-lasting protection, use this synthetic
  polymer wax. Meguiar's Ultimate Liquid Wax offers superior UV protection and
  shields your furniture from environmental factors. It is easy to apply and buff off,
  providing a durable, low-maintenance shine. Apply a thin layer, allow it to dry to a
  haze, and then buff it off with a clean, lint-free cloth.

## **Minor Paint Damage:**

Touch-Up Paints: For minor paint loss, oxidation, scratches, or scrapes, clean the
area and use touch-up paints designed for powder-coated finishes. These are
available from manufacturers like Cardinal and Sherwin-Williams.

