

Complete SIGNAGE CARE GUIDE



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EXTERIOR ALUMINUM SIGNAGE CARE



KEEP SIGNAGE LOOKING BRAND NEW

- If the sign is painted, wait at least 30 days after painting before any cleaning or polishing is attempted.
- Gently rinse all surfaces thoroughly with water before cleaning to loosen dirt and debris that could cause scratching.
- Wash with a diluted mild detergent.
- Wipe with the grain direction on brushed letters.
- Concentrate on one section at a time, washing and rinsing each area completely before moving on.
- Dry using soft terry towels. Air drying may leave watermarks.
- We recommend a commercial grade metal polish.
- Avoid use of lawn mowers, weed trimmers or other tools which can cause damage to signage. We suggest surrounding the posts with mulch or stone landscaping.

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EXTERIOR HDU/FOAM MONUMENT CARE



YOUR MONUMENT SIGN REQUIRES SPECIAL CARE

- If the sign is painted, wait at least 30 days after painting before any cleaning is attempted.
- For best results, pre-rinse the sign to remove loose dirt and grime. The sign should be wet before any cleaning solution is applied.
- Fill a gallon bucket with 3 parts water to 1 part bleach. Add a generous amount of mild dish detergent to the mixture.
- Lightly cover plants or water down all plants and shrubs to ensure that any over-spray from the bleach cleaning solution will be diluted and will not harm your plants.
- Test a small area first to ensure no adverse reaction occurs between the bleach solution or any special graphics such as vinyl, plastic or metal graphics.
- Spray your cleaning mixture directly onto your pre-soaked sign and let sit for 3-5 minutes. The bleach will kill any mold on the sign.
- Use your scrub brush to scrub the entire sign surface to agitate the mold and dirt from the face of the monument.
- Repeat the process for areas with excess dirt and mold.

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INTERIOR SIGNAGE CARE



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MAKE YOUR INTERIOR SIGNAGE SPARKLE

- Routine cleaning of faces is best performed by using warm, soapy water and a soft cloth or sponge. We recommend cleaning every few months, or as needed to preserve the original finish.
- Wipe with the grain direction on brushed letters.
- Do NOT leave moisture on the sign and do not scrub the surface where letters are present.
- Cleaning with harsh cleaners that contain chemicals is not recommended, as this may damage the clear coating.
- Signs should be kept in climate controlled environments and should not be subjected to high levels of humidity or accumulated moisture.



SNEEZE GUARD & BARRIER CARE



SANITIZE FOR SAFETY

- Clean shield surfaces with an approved cleaner. Approved household cleaners include:
 - Bleach: 1/3 cup per gallon of water to dilute
 - Isopropyl alcohol: wipes or sprays containing at least 70%
 - Hydrogen peroxide: 3-5% (do not dilute)
 - Warm soapy water: gentle dish soap with clean water.
- Spray cleaner on clean soft cloth or microfiber cloth. Do NOT apply cleaner directly on signage.
- Apply light pressure to avoid scratching the surface.

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WINDOW GRAPHICS & LETTERING CARE



KEEP WINDOWS LOOKING VISUALLY APPEALING

- Do NOT clean your windows for 2-3 days after the graphics or lettering have been installed. In very cold temperatures, you should not clean your windows for 2 weeks after the installation. This is to allow for proper adhesion.
- Do NOT use abrasive, solvent-based window cleaners. The solvents in the cleaner may weaken the film's adhesive properties. Use mild, non-abrasive cleaners such as soap and water.
- Do NOT use a scrubbing tool or power wash your windows.
- Be sure to clean the signs at a perpendicular angle, (i.e. at a 90-degree angle to the signage) to prevent water from lifting up the seams of the decals or lettering.

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VEHICLE GRAPHICS & LETTERING CARE



EXTEND THE LIFE OF YOUR VEHICLE GRAPHICS

- A 5-day bonding period is required to ensure that all areas where vinyl has been applied are set, the vinyl becomes relaxed and the adhesive has time to bond to the vehicle. Small bubbles or imperfections in the finish may be reduced or eliminated during the bonding period. **DO NOT WASH THE VEHICLE DURING BONDING PERIOD.**
- To ensure the integrity of the graphics, we recommend hand-washing your vehicle graphics 2-3 times per month and immediately following a rainstorm. High-pressure or brush washing may damage the graphics.
- Do NOT use wax or other similar coatings on vehicle graphics.
- Do NOT let gas or any other type of fuel drip onto your vehicle graphics. If this happens, clean it off promptly with soap and water to avoid damage.
- Avoid long periods of sun exposure. Park your vehicle under cover or in a garage whenever possible.

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MAGNETIC SIGN CARE

PROPER USE & CARE OF YOUR MAGNETIC SIGNS

- To help prevent the accumulation of moisture and dirt between the magnetic sign and the metal surface, remove the magnetic sign at regular intervals. Clean both the magnetic sign and metal surface with a mild soap and water solution.
 - WEEKLY cleaning is recommended for magnetic signs attached to surfaces other than vehicles.
 - DAILY cleaning is recommended with magnetic signs mounted on vehicles, to help protect their clear coat.
- We recommend that magnetic signs be removed, inspected, and cleaned after every rain or snow-fall they are exposed to.
- Avoid using magnetic signs on horizontal metal surfaces exposed to direct sunlight (such as vehicle hoods, roofs, trunks, etc) or temperatures exceeding 150° F. Avoid using magnetic signs in very cold weather, especially temperatures below -15° F.
- For best results, the magnetic sign itself should be at a room temperature of 60°F or above when installed. Do not apply a magnetic sign that has been stored rolled with the magnetic surface facing out. The magnetic sign may not attach properly to the metallic surface, resulting in lifted corners or air gaps which will weaken its hold on the metal surface.
- Keep your magnetic signs in a clean, dry place when not in use. Store your magnetic signs by stacking them on a flat surface. Do not stack vehicle signs with the magnetic sides touching each other. Do not store heavy objects on top of or against your magnet signs.
- We do not recommend storing a magnetic sign rolled. NEVER fold a magnetic sign.
- The back and sides of a filing cabinet is a great way to store magnetic signs, as well as the front and sides of a refrigerator.

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