

UPHOLSTERY CLEANING & CARE

Normal Care and Cleaning

Remove ordinary dirt and smudges with a mild soap and water solution and a clean, soft cloth or towel. Dry with a soft, lint-free cloth or towel. **CAUTION:** The use of vinyl “conditioners” or “protectants” is not recommended and should be avoided on vinyl upholstery treated with PreFixx protective finish.

Special Cleaning Problems

Although upholstery treated with PreFixx protective finish is resistant to most common stains, the dyes and pigments in some staining agents have the ability to create a permanent stain if not treated properly. To clean difficult stains from upholstery treated with PreFixx protective finish, locate the staining agent in the lists below and follow the corresponding recommended cleaning method. For best results, treat all stains immediately.

Cleaning Tip: To determine the method and type of cleaners, the source of the stain should be identified.

Staining Agents. Baby oil, ketchup, chocolate, motor oil, olive oil, grape juice, urine, blood, hair oil tonic, tea, coffee and betadine. Use Method 1.

Staining Agents. Eye shadow, crayon and grease. Use Method 1. If stains remain, use Method 2.

Staining Agents. Tobacco tar (nicotine), permanent felt tip marker, yellow mustard, lipstick, ball-point pen and spray paint. Use Method 1. If stains remain, use Method 2. For remaining stubborn, use Method 3.

The recommended cleaners used in Cleaning Methods 1, 2 and 3 are progressively more aggressive. Often, it is better to begin with the least aggressive cleaner and move to the next strongest only if the stain remains. NEVER EXCEED a staining agent's recommended cleaner or cleaning method, however.

Method 1: Use one of the following cleaners with a soft cloth or damp sponge. Rinse area with fresh water then dry with a clean, lint-free cloth.

- Formula 409® All-Purpose Spray Cleaner
- Fantastik® Spray Cleaner

Method 2: Use a solvent-type cleaner*, such as rubbing alcohol (isopropyl alcohol). Rinse cleaned area with fresh water then dry with a clean, lint-free cloth.

Method 3: Use a strong, active solvent cleaner* diluted in water (70% water/30% solvent cleaner) such as acetone based nail polish remover (acetone/water). Clean with a soft cloth or damp sponge. Stain should be removed with less than six (6) rubs. If the stain persists after six rubs, the stain has set and probably cannot be removed. Rinse cleaned area with fresh water, then dry with a clean, lint-free cloth.

* **CAUTION:** Some solvents are highly flammable. Exercise proper care in cleaning and notify personnel in area of danger. Wear rubber gloves during all cleaning activities. Use caution in cleaning around buttons, stitching and wooden or decorative trim, since these solvents could seriously damage such areas.

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Subject: PreFixx® Protective Finish and Chemical Resistance

Summary: OMNOVA Solutions manufactures a variety of coated fabrics used in healthcare environments, including reception and patient seating, therapy chairs, examination tables and physician stools. This upholstery needs to be durable as well as cleaned and disinfected with a variety of chemicals without worrying about discoloration or damage to the upholstery finish. OMNOVA Solutions recommends coated fabrics with PreFixx Protective Finish for these applications.

Chemical Resistance: PreFixx protected upholstery can be easily cleaned and disinfected and has been shown to have excellent chemical resistance.

The following list of cleaners and disinfectants can be safely used on OMNOVA's upholstery with PreFixx Protective Finish. In laboratory testing, PreFixx protected upholstery was scrubbed 300+ cycles with no discoloration or damage to the upholstery:

- Asepticare TB-II
- Birex® SE Disinfectant
- Bleach-Rite® Disinfecting Spray
- Cavicide® Surface Disinfectant
- Citrace® Germicide
- CitriGuard® II Hard Surface Disinfectant
- Clorox® Germicidal Wipes
- Diluted Bleach Solution
- Dispatch® Spray Hospital Cleaner Disinfectant with Bleach
- Fade-A-Dyne® Stain Remover
- Fresh Breeze TB Disinfectant
- Isopropyl Alcohol
- Lysol® Spray Disinfectant
- OPTIM™ 33TB Disinfectant
- Precise™ Hospital Cleaner
- PDI® Super Sani-Cloth® Germicidal Wipes
- PDI Sani-Cloth HB Germicidal Wipes
- PDI Sani-Cloth Plus Germicidal Wipes
- Virex® II 256 Cleaner
- Wex-Cide™ 128 Cleaner