Cleaning Instructions Stainless Steel Products

Introduction

Like all stainless steel products your POOLDECK equipment will need periodic cleaning in order to maintain it in peak condition.

When in use your equipment will be subject to many substances that can reduce the attractive appearance of stainless steel. Such things as – finger marks, stains from hard water, food, and general pollutants in the air can all have an affect on your equipment.

However, periodic cleaning of your equipment will almost eliminate the long term affect these pollutants may have on your equipment. Cleaning methods and the frequency with which they need to be performed, will vary considerably and are dependant on your particular situation. However, one of the outstanding features of stainless steel is the ease with which its overall appearance can be maintained.

In many instances a periodic wash and rinse with warm water will restore and maintain the original "gleam" of your POOLDECK equipment.

Maintaining the "Bright Look" of your POOLDECK Equipment

Do

Wash regularly with warm water and a mild soap or detergent. Use a clean cloth or soft brushes

Remove stubborn grime immediately using one of the methods listed.

Always rinse after cleaning and wipe dry (where possible).

Don't

Don't use ordinary steel wool or other metal scrapers to remove any stain or dirt.

Don't allow dirt to accumulate.

Don't use any harsh or untested cleansers.

Normal Cleaning

For normal stains and construction dirt any of the following can be used: soap, ammonia, liquid detergent or powder detergent.

Rub the equipment with a clean rag or cheese cloth following the polish lines when possible. Rinse the rails thoroughly and wipe with a clean dry cloth.

If properly used these products will not have any detrimental effects on the equipment.

Use only enough pressure to remove dirt and stains, remember all cleaners are abrasive to some degree.

Do not leave excess cleaner in the joints or corners of your equipment.

For Deposits Which Require Scouring

For deposits which require scouring a slightly stronger cleaning agent may be required.

Any of the following may be tried if available: powder or cake Bon Ami, grade FFF Italian pumice, whiting, Permag 165, Ajax etc. It is recommended that you try these on a small unobtrusive section of the rail as a test before treating large areas.

Beware that these products may remove some of the "mirror" finish from your equipment if used incorrectly.

For Apparent "Rust" Stains

Depending on the source of the poolwater it is not unusual for "rust" stains to appear on stainless steel equipment. This may be particularly evident around the heads of step securing bolts and where the steps meet the rails. This is usually caused by iron salts that naturally occur in most water supplies being precipitated out of the pool water and accumulated in these locations. In old established locations it can also occur due to the rusting of water mains and household pipes supplying water for the pool.

This "rust" deposit should not be confused with corrosion of the metal face. These "rust" deposits can easily be removed by cleaning with a soft nylon brush and a mildly abrasive cleaner such as those mentioned above. When this "rust" is removed the underlying metal will not show any signs of pitting or corrosion. Regular cleaning may be necessary to prevent the deposit from reforming. It is not a fault of the stainless steel material.

Under certain pool water conditions corrosion of the stainless steel can occur. Therefore, it is vital that you follow the water treatment instructions diligently to ensure that these conditions do not have a chance to occur. Corrosion of the stainless steel in your equipment due to improper use of pool chemicals or neglect in the maintaining of proper water treatment is specifically not covered by our warranty.

