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HEAVY-DUTY LOCKERS O+M MANUAL

GENERAL CARE

Ideally, the surfaces of these lockers should be wiped with a damp cloth at least once a month.

When cleaning, use non-abrasive cleaning tools and avoid leaving dirt or stains on the laminate surfaces. Always remove detergent thoroughly, rinse, and dry the surface well to prevent marks; it is recommended to test cleaning products on a small, inconspicuous area first. Do not use aggressive cleaning agents such as muriatic acid, silver cleaners, or caustic soda. For products with metal surfaces, avoid prolonged contact with organic solvents, acids, or bases.

LOCKS AND HINGES

Every now and then, the hinges and locks of these lockers need lubrication. This will depend largely on where the lockers are used and how frequently their owners use them. If they are used on a daily basis, it is a prudent idea to regularly check the locks and hinges which should be lubricated or repaired accordingly.

LAMINATE DOOR

Always start by trying the gentlest method of cleaning. If a stain persists work through the following steps, repeating each step several times if the stain seems to be disappearing.

ESSENTIAL MATERIALS

- Paper towel
- Soft cloths
- Sponges
- Non-abrasive detergents
- Water

STEP 1

For routine cleaning, such as dust or liquid, to remove the stain by scrubbing the area with a soft cloth, dampened with room temperature or warm water. Rinse and dry with a paper towel or soft cloth.

STEP 2

If the stain leaves a slight mark or is difficult to remove, repeat the cleaning operation using mild detergents.

STEP 3

If the stain is stubborn, treat it with a suitable detergent solution. Allow the detergent to act long enough to remove the stain. Remove the detergent using a dampened sponge. Dry with a paper towel or soft cloth. If the stain is still visible, repeat this procedure or use a more detergent to be effective.

STEP 4

When cleaning the difficult stain from the laminate, DO NOT expose the material surface to household bleach for prolonged periods of time as this may lead to permanent discolouration.

DO AND DO NOT

DO always rinse thoroughly after cleaning (residue from cleaning solutions is the single greatest cause of damage to laminate surfaces).
DO wipe up spills immediately, and rinse thoroughly.
DO NOT use acidic or abrasive cleaners, expose the laminate to household bleach for prolonged periods of time, or apply excessive scrubbing, especially on gloss finish surfaces.

CLEANING IRONMOGERY/FRAMEWORK

Powder-coated products should always be cleaned at no more than 3-month intervals. A solution of mild detergent diluted with warm water should be used. A soft cloth, sponge or natural bristle brush may be used. Abrasive materials should be avoided. White spirit may be used to remove oil or grease deposits, but strong solvents must be avoided. The coated items must be thoroughly rinsed following the use of detergents.

Metallic surfaces should be cleaned as detailed for powder coating. Care should be taken in order to avoid scratching the metallic surface.

MAINTENANCE OF IRONMONGERY

Locker locks and hinges should be wiped clean. A moderate amount of a silicone type lubricant (such as WD40) should be applied to all moving parts, with any excess lubricant promptly removed. Excess use of lubricants may attract dust, which will increase the wear rate of moving parts. It is imperative that the amount of lubricant is kept to a minimum.

REPAIRS

Every now and then, you will notice scratches and abrasions on the surfaces of these lockers. In such instances, be sure to act upon these quickly as these could lead to the deterioration of the metal especially after prolonged exposure to moisture. Abrasion and scratches can be easily covered up by spot painting the affected areas.

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AFTER SALES SUPPORT

It is not unusual for locker users to lose or misplace their keys. For such occasions, it is a good idea to keep a master key within easy reach; otherwise, you may have to disrupt a good lock and have the lock replaced.

Laminate lockers are naturally more durable and stronger compared to other types of lockers. But learning how to properly clean and maintain these lockers can significantly increase their life spans, allowing you to get better returns on your initial investment and help in increasing the satisfaction of their users.

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