

## **INSTALLATION AND CARE & MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS**

The proprietary UV and Abrasion Resistant surface coating on SHIELDS® SUPERCOATED™ polycarbonate significantly improves performance. Periodic cleaning using proper procedures and compatible cleaners are recommended to prolong service life.

# Installing Your SHIELDS® SUPERCOATED™ Window

When possible – use your factory supplied hardware and/or gaskets.

### DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN FASTENERS

It is recommended to apply some RTV silicone in the holes of any fasteners to provide a type of 'living' grommet to absorb stress as the window performs and thermally expands and contacts. RTV silicone should be used with gasket adhesion.

\*\*DO NOT USE ANY OTHER ADHESIVES OR 'LOCK TIGHT' CHEMICALS OTHER THAN RTV SILICONE.

\*\*The use of these chemicals in holes and edges (non SUPERCOATED<sup>TM</sup> surfaces) will attack the polycarbonate.

ANY USE OF NON-RECOMMENDED CHEMICALS, ADHESIVES, OR ANY FABRICATION CONDUCTED TO THE WINDOW WILL IMMEDIATLEY VOID ANY/ALL WARRANTY CLAIMS.

# CLEANING THE SUPERCOATM HARD-COAT

- 1. Wash with a mild solution of soap or detergent and lukewarm water.
- 2. Using a soft cloth or sponge, gently wash the sheet to loosen dirt and grime and rinse well with clean water.
- 3. To prevent water spotting, thoroughly dry with chamois or cellulose sponge.
- 4. Avoid the use of abrasive cleaners, squeegees and/or other cleaning implements that may mar or gouge the coating.

## CLEANING AGENTS WHICH HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE COMPATIBLE UNDER LABORATORY CONDITIONS:

• Aqueous Solutions of Soaps and Detergents

Windex<sup>1</sup> Top Job<sup>2</sup> Joy<sup>2</sup> Mr. Clean<sup>2</sup> Fantastik<sup>3</sup> Formula 409<sup>4</sup> Sumalight D12 Brucodecid

• Organic Solvents

Butyl Cellosolve Kerosene Hexel, F.O. 554 Naphtha (VM&P grade) Neleco-Placer Turco 5042

Alcohols

Methanol Isopropyl All residual organic solvents should be removed with a secondary rinse.

### **GRAFFITI REMOVAL**

- (A) Butyl cellosolve (for removal of paints, marking pen inks, lipstick, etc.). The use of masking tape, adhesive tape or lint removal tools works well for lifting off old weathered paints.
- (B) To remove labels, stickers, etc., the use of kerosene or VM&P naphtha are generally effective. When the solvent will not penetrate sticker material, apply heat (hair dryer) to soften the adhesive and promote removal.

IMPORTANT: If a material is found to be incompatible in a short-term test, it will usually be found to be incompatible in the field. The converse, however, is not always true. Favorable performance is no guarantee that actual end-use conditions have been duplicated. Therefore, these results should be used as a guide only and it is recommended that the user test the products under actual end-use conditions.

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