FURNITURE CARE GUIDE

Care & Maintenance

Simple guidance to help protect the finish, appearance and everyday performance of your furniture.

Laminate

Clean with a soft cloth and mild detergent diluted in warm water. Wipe gently, then rinse with a clean damp cloth to remove detergent residue and dry. For stubborn marks, use a non-abrasive cleaner. Avoid abrasive pads and vigorous scrubbing, especially on gloss finishes.

Metal

Wipe with a soft cloth and mild detergent in warm water. Rinse with a clean damp cloth and dry to prevent residue or water marks. Avoid abrasive cleaners, scouring pads and harsh chemicals that may scratch or damage the finish.

Powder-coated finishes

Remove loose grit with a damp sponge rather than dry dusting. Clean with a soft cloth and mild detergent in warm water, then rinse and dry. Do not use paint thinners or strong solvents; these can damage the coating and shorten its service life.

Solid timber

Keep away from prolonged direct sunlight and sources of excessive heat. Dust regularly and wipe with a soft, slightly damp cloth, following the grain. Do not scrub with abrasive cloths or cleaners, as these can mark the timber and its protective finish.

Timber veneer

Dust with a soft, slightly damp cloth and wipe spills promptly. Use only a furniture polish suitable for the specific veneer finish, and follow its label. Frequent polishing can leave a cloudy build-up. Protect the surface from hot objects, standing water and direct sunlight.

Fabric

Blot spills promptly with a clean, absorbent cloth; do not rub, scrub or saturate the fabric. Cleaning needs vary by fabric composition and finish. Check the fabric supplier’s care instructions or seek professional advice before using any cleaning product.

CARE NOTE

Always check the product-specific instructions and the cleaner’s label before use. Test any new cleaning method on a discreet area first. Use a lightly damp cloth rather than excess water, and dry surfaces after cleaning.

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Material-specific care guidance

Leather

Keep leather free of dust and grit, and protect it from prolonged direct sunlight and heat. Use products made specifically for the leather type and follow their instructions. Avoid harsh chemicals and unidentified cleaners. Apply a suitable leather protection cream only as directed.

PET surfaces

Remove dust and marks using a soft, damp cloth and a mild solution of warm water and upholstery shampoo. Wipe gently, then blot dry with a clean cloth dampened with water only. Avoid abrasive tools and harsh cleaning agents.

Plastic

Wipe with a soft damp cloth and a mild cleaning solution. Rinse away any residue and dry with a soft cloth. Do not use abrasive cloths, scouring pads or strong solvents, which may scratch or dull the surface.

Whiteboards

Use a whiteboard eraser for routine cleaning. For persistent marks or ghosting, use a purpose-made whiteboard cleaner, then wipe with a clean cloth and soapy water and rinse. Let marker ink dry fully before erasing to reduce smearing.

Polycarbonate frames

Clean with a soft 100% cotton cloth, using lukewarm water with a small amount of dishwashing liquid if needed. Rinse with clean water and dry using a clean cotton cloth. Avoid ammonia, denatured alcohol, acetone, carbon tetrachloride and harsh all-purpose cleaners.

Concrete composite

Clean scuffs and marks with warm water and mild soap using a soft cloth. If bleach is necessary, dilute it with water and test on an inconspicuous area first; never apply bleach directly. Avoid citrus-based cleaners and abrasive products to protect the surface and finish.

Need product-specific advice?

Contact Xchange Design Australia before using a specialist cleaner or treatment on an unfamiliar surface.

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