

Sliding Window Care & Maintenance

Frequency of cleaning is more dependent on the location of the building. Maddington Glass and Aluminium recommends general cleaning to be conducted every three months as a minimum. However, monthly cleaning is necessary if the location of the building and/or it's proximity to industrial/marine environments. Frequent cleaning is recommended if any deterioration of surface finish is apparent.

When cleaning care should be taken to ensure excessive amounts of water do not enter any locking systems.

Anodised Aluminium

The prompt removal of all dust, dirt, grime and any foreign matter using clean water and a small amount of mild detergent is advised to ensure surfaces of aluminium frames are kept clean. Do not under any circumstances use any abrasive type cleaning agent (Ajax or similar) or any abrasive cleaning material such as steel wool or the like as this will severely damage the anodised surface. Thoroughly wash off any residue of detergent with clean water.

Powder Coated

To preserve a powder coated aluminium finish cleaning is desirable. Deterioration of these fine coatings occur mainly as a result of grime deposition and attack by moisture, which in a coastal environment contains chlorides and sulphur compounds. Deposited grime absorb contaminated moisture and holds it against the powder coated surface; this permits the attack to proceed thereby damaging the coating, which cannot be restored without removal.

Maintenance of Glass

For all glass surfaces, prompt removal of all dirt with clean water should be undertaken to keep surfaces clean. In some instances the addition of a small amount of mild detergent would be of some benefit. In these cases be sure to thoroughly wash off any detergent residue with clean water after. Do not under any circumstances use any form of abrasive cleaner of any type whatsoever, as this may cause damage to the glass. Lightly sponge off any stubborn dirt being careful not to scratch the glass.

Frequency of cleaning should be similar to that of the aluminium surfaces.

In addition to cleaning some maintenance should be observed. The following procedures should regularly be undertaken

Cleaning of any tracks to remove any grit and dirt that has accumulated in the track area. Ensure that any drainage slots have not become blocked.

A silicone spray of the track area and the woolpile seals will ensure a free and quiet operation of the sash.