



Caring for your new Paramount vinyl windows:

Cleaning Window and Door Frames:

Paramount Windows Corp. vinyl windows and doors are designed to be virtually maintenance free. A heavy rain is often sufficient to clean the exterior of these products. However, due to weather, environment or atmospheric conditions, the exteriors may become dirty over time and require cleaning.

You can easily wash them using an ordinary garden hose. Do not wash the windows or doors with a high-pressure spray. The extreme pressure could crack or destroy the caulking around the window or door. If neither rain nor rinsing with a hose does a satisfactory job cleaning your Paramount windows, follow these simple instructions to clean them:

Normal Maintenance:

For both the interior and the exterior of your Paramount windows, we recommend you wash the frames and glass using a soft cloth or ordinary long-handled soft bristle brush. For textured surfaces, using the soft bristle brush avoids smearing any stain into the grooves of the texture.

Readily available water-based household cleaners such as Fantastik®, Windex®, and Lysol® can be used to remove dirt and stains such as top soil, motor oil, lithium grease, crayon, felt-tip pen, caulking, lipstick, grass, bubble gum, mold and mildew. Paint stains can be removed using a plastic spatula or credit card to peel the paint off the vinyl. Oil or tar can be dissolved using mineral spirits on a soft cloth. Rinse the area thoroughly with a solution of water and mild dishwashing liquid after cleaning with mineral spirits.

For particularly persistent stains, you may choose to use a mildly abrasive cleaner, such as Soft Scrub®. Note that the use of any abrasive material (including mildly abrasive cleaners) will alter surface appearance. Any damage is the responsibility of the homeowner.

For exterior cleaning, water from a garden hose can be used to dislodge any soil and perform the final rinse. Caution should be used, for many operable windows and doors are not designed to withstand direct, full-pressure, full-volume spray from a typical garden hose. Such windows may allow water to penetrate into unwanted locations when subjected to such a spray. When using a garden hose, always apply the water at a low volume, using moderate water pressure, and an indirect spray. Always start with windows on the upper floors and work down. Minimize the amount of water running over the lower portions of the building to avoid other stains or damage.

Sash Lubrication

Occasionally the sash operates with difficulty and needs minor lubrication. Before lubricating movable panels, the installer/homeowner should verify that the lubricant is compatible with the vinyl, aluminum, or other materials used in the product's assembly. If silicone aerosol sprays are used, they should be prevented from contacting glass surfaces. We recommend a spray furniture polish for best results.

Exterior Weep Holes

Some of our window and door products come with built-in exterior water drainage systems called "weep holes." These appear on the exterior of our window and door products at the sill area, and must remain clear of obstruction to function properly.

IF THESE HOLES ARE BLOCKED BY TAPE, DEBRIS OR CAULK, YOU MAY HAVE THE POSSIBILITY FOR WATER INFILTRATION INSIDE YOUR HOME!

Patio Door Maintenance

Cleaning Roller Tracks

The door roller track can often collect dirt or construction debris, which will result in rough operation of the door panel. If the door does not glide smoothly across the sill, check the sill track for debris. To clean the roller track, simply use a vacuum cleaner to pick up the loose material, then use a cloth or sponge and a solution of water and mild dishwashing liquid to finish the cleaning. The screen roller track can also be cleaned in the same fashion.

Note: Cleaners containing organic solvents or other aggressive ingredients can affect the surface appearance. Examples of such cleaners are: chlorine bleach, liquid grease remover, strong soaps, nail polish remover, detergents containing organic solvents, and muriatic acid.

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IMPORTANT: DO NOT PAINT VINYL WINDOWS. Painting vinyl windows will render null and void your product warranty.

We hope you find these tips for caring for your new Paramount vinyl windows helpful. Proper care and maintenance will help to ensure a lifetime of performance.

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