SYMBIOTE

FINISHES CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Cleaning Procedures for Symbiote Furniture

STANDARD LAMINATES

- For normal cleaning, wash laminate with a soft cloth and a solution of mild detergent and warm water. Rinse thoroughly and dry with a clean soft cloth.
- For minor repair of burns or stubborn marks, apply a nonabrasive liquid kitchen cleanser with a soft cloth soaked in warm water.
- Rub in the direction of the grain; use caution to avoid damaging the surface texture or gloss. If no grain direction is visible, rub with a light, circular motion.
- Do not use powdered abrasives or other harsh cleansers like hypochlorite bleach, hydrogen peroxide, nitric or hydrochloric acids, or lye; they may deface the surface and change the finish color.
- See Wilsonart[®] and Pionite[®] tech data sheets.

PVC: SQUARE, ROUND AND T-EDGE

- For normal cleaning, use a soft cloth or sponge and mild cleaner suitable for counters and other household surfaces such as 409[®] or Fantastik[®].
- Avoid abrasive, alcohol-based, or solventbased cleaners..

ESD LAMINATE

- ESD high pressure laminate can be cleaned using a damp cloth or sponge with a mild soap or non-bleach detergent. Ammoniated or vinegar-based glass cleaners are best for cleaning surfaces soiled by grease. See Nevamar[®] data sheet.
- Avoid cleaners with bleach or antibacterial formulas as they may damage the finish.
- Abrasive cleaners or abrasive coated scouring pads should not be used as they may permanently dull or scratch the surface. A soft bristle nylon brush can be used if necessary.

CHEMSURF®

- For normal cleaning, clean laminate with warm water and mild soaps, such as those used for hands or dishes. Cleansers containing abrasives, acids or alkalis may damage the surface. See Wilsonart tech data sheet
- Stubborn stains may be removed with a 1½ minute exposure to hypochlorite bleach, such as Clorox[®], followed by a clean water rinse.

PHENOLIC

- For normal cleaning, use a soft cloth or sponge and mild cleaner suitable for counters and other household surfaces such as 409[®] or Fantastik[®].
- For stubborn stains use a solvent solution (Lacquer/Paint Thinner.) Avoid cleansers containing abrasives, acids or steel wool. See Pionite tech data sheet.
- For added gloss and protection apply a liquid or spray furniture wax to the entire surface of the top and rub to a glossy finish.
- Although phenolic is graffiti resistant, heavy impact can damage the surface. Hammers, knives, pry-bars, and other tools can scratch or alter the protective surface.

PLASTIC

- For normal cleaning, wash plastic surfaces with a soft cloth soaked in mild detergent and warm water. Rinse thoroughly and dry with a clean soft cloth.
- Do not use solvents or abrasive kitchen cleaners.

WOOD

- For normal cleaning, clean the surface with a soft cloth dampened with a quality cleaner formulated for wood furniture.
- Wipe the surface in the direction of the wood grain to remove dirt and fingerprints.
- Wipe dry with a clean dry cloth.

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POWDER COATED STEEL

- For normal cleaning, wash coated metal surfaces with a soft cloth soaked in detergent and warm water; rinse thoroughly and dry.
- Do not use abrasive, acid, alcohol-based, or solvent-based cleaners; they may damage the paint finish.

STAINLESS STEEL

- For normal cleaning, clean the surface with warm water and a gentle detergent.
- Mild non-scratching abrasive powders such as typical household cleaners can be used with warm water, bristle brushes, sponges, or clean cloths. Avoid ordinary carbon steel brushes or steel wool as they may leave particles embedded on the surface which can lead to rusting.
- For more aggressive cleaning, add a small amount of vinegar to the scouring powder. Cleaning should always be followed by rinsing in clean warm water.
- To remove fingerprints use a glass cleaner and a soft cloth, followed by a clean, warm water rinse.
- Sani-Cloth AF3 Wipes by PDI are disposable, saturated cloths with a quaternary disinfectant cleaner. Recommended for use in hospitals and critical care areas where control of the hazards of cross contamination is paramount.

EPOXY RESIN

- For normal cleaning, use acetone (where allowed). Apply acetone and wipe away with a paper towel or clean rag. Crystal Simple Green[®] (or comparable household cleaning product) can be used as well.
- Do not use wax or polish containing wax, abrasive pads, powders or liquids (such as

Soft Scrub) on epoxy surfaces or sinks, as dulling the surface may occur.

- An occassional application of finish oil or Murphy's Oil can be used to restore the luster of a surface, but use in moderation as too much oil can cloud a surface.
- See Duron[®] tech data sheet.