

ALPOLIC® /FR MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

To ensure the expected durability of all Aluminium Composite Panels and the Sealing Joints it is necessary to implement a maintenance and cleaning programme. How detailed or thorough this is will depend on the location and position on the building, exposure to the elements and access to the panels. Please ensure this is understood by the end owner of the building as it may affect the warranties of the panel and sealant. Our panel manufacturers require an inspection and cleaning to be undertaken at least once a year to maintain all the warranties on the panel.

CLEANING:

Please follow any manufacturers or suppliers installation guidelines where given.

We recommend the use of water with a mild detergent and light to moderate pressure to remove light surface soiling. Rubbing may also prove useful to ensure using a sponge or soft rags fully soaked in water.

Any cleaning must be followed with a final wash down of water. Firstly in a horizontal motion and then a vertical motion.

For more heavy surface soiling (such as grease) technical grade methylated spirits can be used. It is recommended these be diluted at least 50% by water and a spot test is carried out first. Then ensure the solvent is washed off with mild detergent and water. Foam7 can also be used for the removal of fingerprints and the Tec7 cleaner for wet silicone and grease removal.

Do NOT use high pressure, strong organic, alkali, acidic or abrasive cleaners. Water blasting is only recommended at an acute angle. It is recommended cleaning is undertaken at least annually to maintain the integrity of finish and maintain the manufacturer warranties.

MAINTENANCE:

It is recommended an annual inspection of the complete facade is undertaken. Any repairs or preventative maintenance can then be undertaken to ensure there are no warranty issues at a later date.

As well as any cracking, dents, surface defects of the panel the sealant joints are also a critical part of the system. Any split or penetration in these needs to be repaired immediately. Please ensure these are documented and communicated immediately to your PSP representative.

If you wish to discuss a maintenance programme then please contact us to discuss further.