



# Stainless Steel - Care Instructions

### **Maintained shiny**

Stainless steel is easy to clean, durable, timelessly elegant and durably hygienic. A wafer-thin passive layer protects it from corrosion. If it is damaged, it is automatically formed again by the oxygen from air or water.

Proper care and cleaning secure the beauty of stainless steel for generations. Regular maintenance prevents deposits. It retains its luster and extends its service life. Spots or crusts are also easy to remove. It is cleaned after use or contamination, depending on environmental conditions on the exterior.

### **Properly maintained**

Always wipe in grinding/brushing direction. A soft cloth made of leather, synthetic fleece or microfiber is ideal. Pattern rolled surfaces like soft nylon brushes.

Apply as needed:

- Detergent, stainless steel cleaner/maintenance polish
- Water with some vinegar/lemon juice
- Chloride-free general purpose/window cleaners, organic solvents

#### **Incorrect treatment**

Never rub in circular motion.

Not to be used are:

- Steel wool/brush, hard or abrasive sponges/brushes
- Abrasive or silver polish
- Cement residue remover
- Cleaner with hydrochloric acid, active chlorine or chlorine bleach (risk of corrosion)

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### **Cleaned quickly**

- Finger prints: polish using chrome polish and cloth
- Grease: chloride-free household/window cleaner
- Lime: water with a little vinegar/lemon juice or commercial cleaning agents without hydrochloric acid, active chlorine or chlorine bleach
- Encrustations: toothpaste. Rinse with water!

### **Purely appetizing**

#### **Flatware**

- Wash as soon as possible after use, do not soak
- Do not wash with silver flatware
- Remove edges/spots with stainless steel maintenance agents

After washing, place cloth on the flatware basket to prevent drops.

#### **Discoloration on pots**

- Stainless steel care
- Water with some vinegar/lemon juice

## **Automatically clean**

Outside, rain removes general dirt. Rinse hard to reach places from time to time with clear water.

Wipe railings, mailboxes or canopies with a damp cloth.

The luster of surfaces affected by environmental effects is restored with chrome polish.

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#### **Good solution**

Small mishaps in new or renovated buildings are quickly resolved:

- Remove lime and cement splashes or tramp iron particles with diluted phosphoric acid. Then rinse thoroughly with water.
- Wipe off paint splashes and graffiti with organic solvent or solvent cleaners. Rinse well!

### Seal of quality

The internationally registered trademarks of stainless steel mark products from quality conscious manufacturers, processors and suppliers. It stands for an application-based proper material choice with proper treatment and processing. Companies that may use the quality seal, attach importance to sustainable customer satisfaction.

#### Partners for added value

The Trademark Association Stainless Steel (WZV) is the voice and service partner of companies that carry the seal as a quality promise. It monitors the proper use and punishes abuse. As an interface between industry, commerce, trade and consumers, it brings together supply and demand.

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