



PVC ROOFING & WALL LINER

Care and Maintenance

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This document covers the care and maintenance of the following PVC sheet products:

PALRUF®
SUN 'N RAIN®
PALRUF® INDUSTRIAL
AG-TUF®
AG-TUF® 9
AG-TUF® UV
DURACLAD®

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General PVC Cleaning Guidelines

- Never use abrasive or high alkaline cleaners on any Palram PVC products
- Do not leave cleaners on Palram PVC for extended periods of time. Rinse immediately with cold, clean water.
- Do not apply cleaners in direct sunlight.
- Never use sharp objects, squeegees or razors on PVC.
- Always practice safety first and never step directly on a PVC panel.
- Always test cleaners in a small inconspicuous area prior to cleaning entire panel to insure against adverse results.
- Avoid allowing the pressure washer spray tip to come closer than 5" to the panel. Pressure washers can have enough pressure at the spray tip to penetrate or tear the panel. Never use a spray nozzle with less than a 15° angle of spray.
- Avoid dry cleaning, as sand and dust particles clinging to the exterior of the panels may scratch the surface.

General Cleaning Instructions

All of the Palram PVC products listed at left can be easily cleaned utilizing a soft sponge or cloth made from 100% cotton using lukewarm water and a mild dish washing detergent. All surfaces should then be rinsed with cold water and dried with soft cotton cloth to reduce water spotting. In some instances this procedure may be inadequate and will require the use of additional cleaning agents. The agents listed below have all been approved for use at room temperature:

CHEMICAL CLEANERS:

- Methyl alcohol
- Ethyl alcohol
- Butyl alcohol
- Isopropyl alcohol
- Heptane
- Hexane
- Petroleum ether (BP 65°)
- VM&P Naphtha

BIODEGRADABLE CLEANERS:

- Brillianize - Plastic Cleaner
- Klear to Sea
- Simple Green

As is the case with all thermoplastic materials, certain chemicals can cause structural as well as surface damage and precautions need to be taken to avoid any aggressive cleaning agents. Should you desire to use a cleaning agent not on the approved list, please contact a Palram representative to inquire about our in-house chemical compatibility testing capabilities.

Specific cleaning instructions for large or difficult-to-reach areas:

When PVC products are installed in difficult-to-reach or large surface area applications, utilization of a pressure washer with a fanned nozzle and mild detergent can assist in removing dirt buildup, algae and mold from the panels. This also eliminates the need

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to step directly on panels while attempting to clean unreachable areas. As stated previously, never use a spray nozzle with less than a 15° angle of spray.

Another method of cleaning large structures requires the use of a long-poled, car or RV washing pad. First, soak the panels with a mild soap and water solution, then proceed to scrub the panels with the car washing pad. Finish with a clean, cold water rinse.