

## Care and Cleaning

### IMPORTANT PRODUCT INFO

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The surface of all Florence Corporation aluminum or powder coated products may be cleaned of dirt or grime with a soft cloth dampened with any mild detergent or properly diluted biodegradable, water-based cleaner, such as “Simple Green”<sup>TM1</sup>. Wipe from top to bottom to avoid run-down. Avoid use of abrasives, which might damage the product surface. Rinse with plain water and dry<sup>2</sup>. Avoid cleaning during extreme temperature conditions.

To varying extents, depending upon the color, it may be possible to remove some spray-paint or marker-applied graffiti from powder coated surfaces by using a stronger cleaner such as “Krud Kutter”<sup>TM3</sup> or a mild petroleum-based solvent, such as mineral spirits. Test-clean a small area first, a few seconds at a time. Do not allow chemical to remain on surface for an indefinite period, as this may damage the surface of the product. Remove any residue left with a mild cleaner, followed by water rinse as noted above.

Matching touch-up paint products may be available from an Authorized Florence Dealer for products which utilize powder coat finishes.

If a mailbox lock in outdoor equipment becomes clogged with ice due to extreme winter weather conditions, the lock manufacturer suggests using “Tri-Flow® Superior Lubricant Aerosol”<sup>4</sup>. Spray the Tri-Flow® Lubricant<sup>5</sup> directly into the keyhole and onto the key. Slide the key in and out of the lock several times to spread the lubricant. Do not apply too much product, as a small amount is sufficient. Wipe off any excess lubricant from the lock and key.



1 Simple Green™, product #13102, is manufactured by Sunshine Makers Inc of California, 800-228-0709, infoweb@simplegreen.com.

2 In foggy coastal regions, frequent cycles of condensation and drying can create a heavy build-up of atmospheric salts and dirt that may adhere tenaciously. This requires that cleaning be done more frequently than in other metropolitan areas where rainfall is more frequent (AAMA Standard 609 & 610-02).

3 Krud Kutter™, product #GR32, is manufactured by Supreme Chemicals of Georgia, 800-466-7126, sales@krudkutter.com.

4 Tri-Flow® Superior Lubricant Aerosol, product #TF20009, is manufactured by The Sherwin-Williams Company of Ohio, 800-474-3794.

5 This product is a light-viscosity lube that allows for deep penetration into hard-to-reach moving parts, providing optimum lubrication under extreme temperatures (-60 to 475°F) and humidity. Product includes formulated solvents that soften and remove dirt and contaminants, and special additives that displace moisture and prevent rust and corrosion.