

Fabtex General Information and Cleaning

Fabtex fabrics are engineered to provide years of satisfactory use. This curtain is waterproof and mildew, stain and dirt resistant. Polyester reinforced PVC fabrics are dimensionally stable. When properly cleaned and installed, they will retain their fit and protective function and aesthetic value for many years. Since no material is impervious to all hazards, proper maintenance is important to maximum life of the product.

To ensure the longevity of the curtain, minimize wear on rough surfaces, clean dirt from the surface as needed, and protect from excessive wind whip or flapping due to improper installation. Cleaning the curtain should only require some mild soap and water and occasionally a soft brush for dirty areas. After cleaning it is crucial to rinse thoroughly with clear water and allow the curtain to dry fully before folding or rolling it. In extreme cases, dirt and mildew (mildew can grow on dirt, but does not grow on or attack the vinyl curtain material) can be removed by applying half strength bleach and light brushing. Allow the solution to remain on for two minutes and then rinse thoroughly with clear water. Be sure there are no folds in the curtain that could trap the chemicals while drying.

Avoid these cleaning agents or processes as they could be harmful to your curtain:

- High-pressure cleaners (pressure washing)
- Hard bristle brushes
- Intense scrubbing
- Abrasive powders, pastes, or liquids that scratch the surface
- Home-made cleaning agents
- Acetone, dimethylformamide (DMF), furans (e.g. 2,5 – dimethylfuran (DMF) compounds), aldehydes, ketones (e.g. methyl ethyl ketone (MEK), cyclohex anone), ethers, esters, white spirit/cleaner's naphtha, hydrocarbons, fuel, gasoline, kerosene, turpentine, oil, toluene, benzene, trichloroethylene, perchloroethylene, cationic surfactants, strongly acidic or alkaline products like ammonia, nitric acid, sulfuric acid, acetic acid hydrochloric acid, caustic soda lye, caustic soda, sodium hypochlorite, hydrogen peroxide, chlorine dioxide, sodium dithionite...)
- Locating livestock close to the curtain material where they may cause damage.

Recommended products and processes:

- Regular water hoses
- Mild Soap
- Sponge
- Soft brush
- Diluted (half-strength) bleach (rinsing and drying are essential)
- Synergize cleaning solution (rinsing and drying are essential)