

# **CARE & CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS**

# **Dawn® Stainless Steel Sinks**

Clean regularly with clean water and/or a mild detergent solution applied with a soft cloth or sponge. Rinse thoroughly and towel dry after every use to prevent water spots and mineral deposits from building up on the surface of the sink. Deep clean once a week with an approved cleanser and a soft cloth or sponge rather than an occasional aggressive single cleaning - be sure to rub in the direction of the finish lines. Cleaners should state approved or suitable for stainless steel.

#### Scratches

Like most metallic surfaces, stainless sinks will get scratches. These are usage scratches and will blend in with the overall finish of your sink over time. There are steps that can be taken to reduce appearance of scratches:

Use a nylon pad with an iron free abrasive polishing compound. Follow the direction of the original polish lines to blend out the scratch in a small area. Be cautious not to overdo the process. A too aggressive procedure will result in a bright spot.

## Water Quality

Regular routine cleaning can usually prevent lime scale deposits from hard water. Do not allow excessive build up before treating. Soaking in a 25% vinegar solution can treat hard water spots. Periodically rub with a synthetic scouring pad, then rinse and towel dry.

#### Rust Marks

If you develop rust marks due to presence of or contact with iron containing materials, swab with a sponge wetted with a dilute solution of (10-15%) nitric acid (HN03) and follow with routine cleaning. Avoid prolonged contact of iron containing materials with stainless steel.

## Do's and Don'ts

- 1. Do regular routine cleaning rather than an occasional aggressive single cleaning.
- 2. Only use propriety brands of cleaners that state "SUITABLE FOR STAINLESS STEEL".
- 3. Always rinse and dry as the final step in a cleaning procedure.
- 4. If there is any accidental contact of the sink with photographic chemicals or soldering fluxes, immediately rinse and clean the sink with water.
- 5. Do not leave low-carbon steel or iron kitchenware in the sink.
- 6. Do not leave rubber patches, wet sponges, cloths, cleaning pads, or dishpans in the sink.
- 7. Do not use coarse abrasive powders, metallic scourers such as steel wool or brushes with metal bristles.
- 8. Do not leave standing solutions of chlorine bleach and water in the sink.
- 9. Do not allow liquid soap or other cleansers to dry on the surface of the sink.
- 10. Do not leave food with high-salt content such as pickles, béarnaise sauce or mustard in the sink.
- 11. Do not use cleaning products containing silver, sulfur or hydrochloric acid.
- 12. Do not leave metal or rusted materials in the sink.
- 13. Do not rub the sink with metal rubbing or scrubbing pads.
- 14. Do not use the sink as a cutting board.

## **Dawn® Ceramic Sinks**

To keep your Dawn® products the center of attention, we suggest you follow these guidelines to maintain its quality and beautiful aesthetics. Deep clean once a week with an approved cleanser and a soft cloth or sponge rather than an occasional aggressive single cleaning. Water quality can also affect your Dawn® sink making it appear dull or stained. Lime scale is notorious for absorbing liquids like coffee, tea, and wine making the stained or tinged look. To remove lime scale build up on your Dawn® sink, use a lime scale cleaning agent, such as CLR®. You can also soak the sink in 1 part white vinegar and 3 parts water to help loosen problematic areas making it much easier to sponge away debris. Make sure to use a non-abrasive pad/sponge with a ceramic cleaner.

## Do's and Don'ts

- 1. Clean regularly with hot water and a mild detergent solution applied with a soft cloth or sponge to remove deposits.
- 2. Rinse thoroughly and towel dry after every use to prevent water spots and mineral deposits.
- 3. Drying your sink after each use will help prevent water spots and lime scale.

<sup>\*</sup>Is Stainless Steel Magnetic? English Chinese



- 4. To remove lime scale or water spots, only use cleaners made specifically for that purpose. Apply cleaners to cleaning cloths, pads, or sponges first, and test in a small area; do not apply directly onto the product.
- 5. Do not allow any cleaning product to remain on your sink longer than necessary.
- 6. Do not leave rubber patches, wet sponges, cloths, cleaning pads, or dishpans in the sink.
- 7. Do not use coarse abrasive powders and metallic scourers, such as steel wool or brushes with metal bristles.
- 8. Do not allow liquid soap or other cleansers to dry on the surface of the sink.
- 9. Do not use detergents or soaps that contain acid or that are not dissolvable.

## Dawn® Glass Sinks

Dawn® glass sinks are manufactured to our highest possible standards and regulations to ensure you receive the utmost quality. Dawn® tempered glass sinks are made to last because the tempering process makes them stronger than annealed glass. That does not mean they are indestructible, but rather more durable and practical for everyday use. We have a few recommendations to make your sink last and maintain its sheen. Glass is subject to thermal stress when it experiences extreme hot or cold conditions suddenly. Glass needs time to be heated or cooled to extreme temperatures, and sudden changes can cause stress cracks to the product.

- 1. Clean regularly with hot water and a mild detergent solution applied with a soft cloth or sponge to remove deposits.
- 2. Rinse thoroughly and towel dry after every use to prevent water spots and mineral deposits.
- 3. Drying your sink afterwards will help prevent water spots.
- 4. Rain-X®, which is available at most automotive departments can be applied to keep your Dawn® sink water spot free.

# **Dawn® Vanity Cabinets**

Wood naturally darkens over time or changes slightly in color due to light exposure and may go unnoticed from day to day. However, over an extended period of time it may become more noticeable, depending on the amount of sunlight exposure. Our warranty replacement products are not guaranteed to have an exact match. Any imperfections such as small surface splits, small dark pits or dark mineral streaks are natural and will not be considered as defects.

- 1. Do regular routine cleaning rather than an occasional aggressive single cleaning.
- 2. Dust frequently with a soft cloth and occasionally use a wood cleaner that is not silicone based.
- 3. Do not place in direct sunlight or near windows with direct sunlight exposure.
- 4. Avoid extreme temperature changes and keep away from heater and air conditioning units.
- 5. Do not allow liquids to remain on the wood surfaces for longer than necessary.
- 6. Liquid absorption will cause wood to warp, bubble, and crack, and your finish may peel.

## <u>Dawn® Faucets, Showers, and Bath/Kitchen Accessories</u>

- 1. Clean as and when required. Regular cleaning prevents scale buildup and water spotting.
- 2. To clean, flush with clean water and dry with a soft cloth.
- 3. To remove scale or water spots, only use cleaners made specifically for that purpose. Apply cleaners to cleaning cloths, pads, or sponges first; do not apply directly onto the product.
- 4. Do not allow any cleaning product to remain on your faucet for longer than necessary.
- 5. Do not use any abrasive cleaning products, such as scrubbing detergent, polisher, sand-cloth, paper tissue, or scrapper.
- 6. Do not use detergents or soaps that contain acid or that are undissolvable.
- 7. Take the aerator off and clean it when necessary.
- 8. After cleaning, rinse thoroughly with clean water to remove any cleaner residue.

# **Dawn® Shower Drains**

Dawn stainless steel shower drains are designed to minimize cleaning and maintenance. High-pressure flushing is the most effective method of cleaning, and, if performed regularly, will keep the drains clean in most situations. Only use a mild soap and a soft cloth for cleaning. DO NOT use any abrasive cleaners or scrub pads. DO NOT allow household cleaning agents, such as bleach, sit on your drain cover for a long period of time. In cases where a stainless steel cleaner is necessary, rinse the drains with plenty of water after use.