



## Cleaning and Maintenance Instructions

**To ensure the product performs as designed for many years in outdoor applications, it's important to perform regular maintenance. Here are some suggestions that we have found to be really effective.**

### Recycled Plastic Lumber:

Recycled Plastic Lumber is very easy to maintain and is not affected by most chemical products. For basic cleaning use a mild soap/detergent or a water/vinegar solution and a plastic stiff-bristled brush. Rinse clean with running water.

<b>Grease stains</b>	Household grease remover
<b>Mould</b>	Mild soap solution
<b>Rust</b>	Mild soap solution
<b>Scratches, burns</b>	Light sanding/brushing, stainless steel brush

Surfaces that have not been cleaned for over 2-3 years can be brought back to their original surface with water, an SOS pad, and vigorous scrubbing. A power washer/pressure jet cleaner is also an effective way for removing UV degradation and graffiti. In this case, maintain a distance no closer than 4-5 inches and no greater than 1200psi.

Minor scratches can be repaired by using a standard electric heat-gun or handheld acetylene torch and a metal putty knife. Heat putty knife and then smooth over the plastic. Test on a non-visible area first to practice.

### Aluminum and Steel Furniture Structure:

Use soap and a mild cloth to wash. Do not use metal-type scrubbers. Aluminum surfaces that have minor scratches can be touched up with a paint pen. These can be sourced from auto supply retailers.

### Fasteners and Connectors:

All fasteners are made from stainless steel and will not corrode. They may, however, loosen over time due to movement of the plastics and metals during freeze/thaw cycles. Every two years it's important to check them and make sure to tighten any loose fasteners and connectors. Fasteners holding the plastic lumber to the frame material should only be hand tightened. Over-tightening them may restrict the movement of the plastic and cause problems in the future.