

# CARE & MAINTENANCE

HY-LINE SHOWER DOORS are designed to be easily maintained. Here are a few tips to help you care for and clean your shower enclosure to maintain a like new appearance.

## CLEANING

Hy-Line suggests using a squeegee after you use the shower. We also recommend cleaning the glass regularly with a glass cleaner. This will keep the glass looking clean and help keep spots and scale from accumulating on glass components. BEMA, the Bath Enclosures Manufacturing Association, recommends Lysol Basin, Tub and Tile Cleaner, or Liquid Comet.

A short list of cleaning agents that should be avoided because they either damage the metal or scratch the glass surface includes: abrasive or soft abrasive powders and liquid, bleach or bleach based cleaners, steel or teflon pads, bristle brushes.

## CLEANING CLEARSHIELD GLASS



To properly care for ClearShield glass, rinse with water and squeegee dry after each use. Then clean the glass every 2-3 weeks using ClearShield AfterCare. For hard water areas, it is recommended that AfterCare be used weekly or as required. AfterCare offers optimum cleaning benefits, maximizes the long life protection of ClearShield, includes an antibacterial formula and leaves a clean, fresh sent. AfterCare is safe for all shower framework and hardware.

Never use commercial strength cleaners or products like Lime Away or CLR on ClearShield glass. Also, never use abrasive and harsh cleaning products, scouring powder or pads, acid based cleaners, or sharp instruments as these will damage the ClearShield coating. For stubborn stains we recommend using ClearShield Limescale Remover.

## TEMPERED GLASS CARE

To conform to building codes, shower doors must use tempered glass due to its safety properties. Tempered glass is 4-6 times stronger than un-tempered (or annealed) glass and in the rare event of accidental breakage, it will break into smaller, less jagged pieces.

The area of a tempered piece of glass which is most vulnerable to breakage is any exposed edge. For this reason, be sure that when the door is swinging or sliding that it does not hit something hard or sharp, such as a toilet, towel rack or sink, etc. Also ensure the glass door does not swing or slide into unprotected metal components of the shower door itself. If the door does hit another unprotected part, it may indicate shifting or settling of the house, an improper installation, or any other situation that may require attention. Contact your installer immediately to have the situation corrected. In the event of breakage, contact Hy-Line Sales for replacement.

## ALUMINUM COMPONENTS CARE & MAINTENANCE

Most of the silver, gold, brushed nickel or satin silver metal components of your shower door are anodized aluminum. Aluminum is a lightweight, non-rusting metal which is anodized to give it its colour, to make it shiny and to help seal it against corrosion and pitting. Some glass and scale cleaners can cause pitting of the aluminum surfaces and permanently damage the anodizing. Many of these cleaning products' labels warn against use on anodized aluminum. Read labels thoroughly before using on your shower door. Drywall, spackle and tile grout, which contain lime, can also spot aluminum.

White, linen/biscuit, black and other colour finishes are applied to the aluminum via a powder-coating process. The powder-coat surface is very durable, but it can scratch or chip. If a scratch occurs, please contact Hy-Line Sales for a bottle of touch-up paint. Cleaning and care for powder-coated metal is the same as the anodized metal.