

DEC-TECHNICAL BULLETIN



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Subject: Stain Removal

- Product
 Pre-Installation
 Installation
 Repair
 Maintenance
 Other
 External
 Internal Use
 Internal Use Only

Target Audience: All
Reason for Bulletin: Dec-Tec suggestions for the removal of stains

Details:
 Staining or discoloration of the membrane can occur if a spill or an accident occurs on the deck. This bulletin will provide recommendations on solutions for different stains.
Note: All stains can't be removed from the deck.

Solutions:
 Always start out the cleaning procedure with "Step 1" and only move onto "Step 2" and "Step 3" consecutively if needed.

1. Ballpoint ink or Permanent marker stain

Step 1:	Step 2:	Step 3:
Apply warm soapy water using a mild detergent (ex: Dawn). Allow it to soak for 10 minutes. Use a soft nylon brush to remove all stains. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.	Use 1 tablespoon of Ammonia to 1 quart of warm water. Pat the area gently with a clean rag. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.	Apply Colgate toothpaste on the affected area and rub it with a soft bristle brush. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.

2. Chewing gum

Step 1:	Step 2:
Wipe or gentle scrape off (chilling of the gum with ice will help to remove).	Apply warm soapy water using a mild detergent such as Dawn. Allow to soak for several minutes to loose. Use a soft nylon brush remove stain, rinse well and allow it to dry.

3. Coffee, Tea or Hot Chocolate spill

Step 1:
Spray Simple Green spray on the affected area, wipe off immediately and do not allow it to dry. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.

4. Crayon mark

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Step 1:	Step 2:
Wipe off excess crayon	Spray Simple Green spray on the affected area, wipe off immediately and do not allow it to dry. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.

5. Grease – animal fat or oil

Step 1:	Step 2:
Wipe off the animal fat or oil	Spray Simple Green spray on the affected area, wipe off immediately and do not allow it to dry. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.

6. Dirt

Step 1:	Step 2:
Apply warm soapy water using a mild detergent (ex: Dawn). Allow it to soak for 10 minutes. Use a soft nylon brush to remove all stains. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.	Spray Simple Green spray on the affected area, wipe off immediately and do not allow it to dry. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.

7. Ketchup or Mustard

Step 1:	Step 2:
Apply warm soapy water using a mild detergent (ex: Dawn). Allow it to soak for 10 minutes. Use a soft nylon brush to remove all stains. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.	Spray Simple Green spray on the affected area, wipe off immediately and do not allow it to dry. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.

8. Latex Paint

Step 1:	Step 2:
Apply warm soapy water using a mild detergent (ex: Dawn). Allow it to soak for 10 minutes. Use a soft nylon brush to remove all stains. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.	Spray Simple Green spray on the affected area, wipe off immediately and do not allow it to dry. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.

9. Mildew or Wet leaves

Step 1:	Step 2:
Mix 1 tablespoon of ammonia to 1 quart of warm water. Dip a clean rag in the mix and gently pat the affected area, not rub. Rinse area with clean water and allow it to dry.	Spray Simple Green spray on the affected area, wipe off immediately and do not allow it to dry. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.

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10. Motor Oil

Step 1:	Step 2:	Step 3:
Spray Simple Green spray on the affected area, wipe off immediately and do not allow it to dry. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.	Spray on citrus based engine cleaner. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.	Apply Colgate toothpaste on the affected area and rub it with a soft bristle brush. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.

11. Oil based paint

Step 1:	Step 2:
Wipe off the excess paint and scrape it off gently (chilling off the paint with ice will help it to remove)	Spray Simple Green spray on the affected area, wipe off immediately and do not allow it to dry. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry

12. Tree Sap

Step 1:	Step 2:
Spray Simple Green spray on the affected area, wipe off immediately and do not allow it to dry. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.	Spray non-oil based hair spray on the affected area. Dab the area with a clean rag, not wipe. Rinse with clean water and allow it dry.

13. Rust

Step 1:	Step 2:
Apply warm soapy water using a mild detergent (ex: Dawn). Allow it to soak for 10 minutes. Use a soft nylon brush to remove all stains. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.	Spray Simple Green spray on the affected area, wipe off immediately and do not allow it to dry. Rinse with clean water and allow it to dry.

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