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All of our products are designed and manufactured to high quality standards to ensure many years of satisfactory service. To assure long life and beauty, the product should be cleaned, protected and maintained.

Usually units that have just been installed will require cleaning after the protective plastic film has been removed. Depending upon how long the units have been in storage prior to installation, a product such as 3M 6041 may be helpful in removing any stubborn vinyl & adhesive residue.

Under normal usage, stainless steel products require regular cleaning with a soft clean rag moistened with a mild detergent followed by a water moistened clean rag and then a dry rag, much the same as stainless steel sinks, pot & pans and eating utensils, and can be wiped with lemon oil applied by soft polishing cloth to maintain sheen. Plastic or laminate materials can be maintained with general-purpose protectant products such as Armor All®. Glass surfaces should be cleaned with any suitable non-abrasive standard glass cleaner, such as Windex® or Glass Plus®. Do NOT use cleaner with ammonia or bleach.

Stainless Steel should be protected against Muriatic acid and caustic or abrasive materials, and harsh cleaning detergents [with pH outside the range 6 ± .5]. In the event such agents cause discoloration, polishing with a stainless steel cleaner such as 3M Stainless Steel Cleaner & Polish® and a soft cloth on bright or mirror finishes, or for #4 satin finish surfaces the SS cleaner and 3M Scotch Brite® either blue (less aggressive) or green (more aggressive) pad is recommended.

Soap dispensers located in low traffic areas should have the soap dispenser valves wiped down to remove any air-hardened soap residue left on the nozzle spouts. This should be done as part of the day-to-day janitorial maintenance routine covering them. General cleaning on a regular schedule is adequate for soap dispensers in higher traffic areas, with no special attention required.

Dryer products are designed to be maintenance free. There are no user adjustable or serviceable parts inside the housing. General cleaning of the exterior housing and nozzle surfaces on a regular schedule is adequate, with no special attention required. Any general-purpose spray-and-wipe type cleaner such as Formula 409® or Windex® is appropriate. Periodically, the sensor lens (if so equipped) should be wiped clean with a soft towel dampened with mild soap and water (NOT SOAKED), and rinse-wiped and dried. In highly dusty environments, the inside of the nozzle and/or exhaust screen should be examined regularly for dust and/or lint build-up, which should be removed. If necessary, maintenance crews can open the housings with special security wrenches (after the power has been shut off) to clean the inside of the screen and/or the blower unit and heating element.



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**NOTES FOR DRYERS:**

1. Repair parts are available for all internal components, with service kits including instructions available for major sub assemblies. These are designed to be installed by qualified technician ONLY.
2. DO NOT SOAK any dryer unit. They are not designed for wet washdown. Exterior surfaces only may be wiped. Refer to cleaning instructions in unit model manual [if available].
3. DO NOT ALLOW any in-housing access or “service” by unqualified personnel.

**GENERAL NOTES:**

Any effects of vandalism or tampering should be repaired immediately by the user/owner to prevent any product performance deterioration. Products severely damaged must be replaced before they become hazardous.

Proper maintenance procedures are the only prescribed method of ensuring a long, trouble-free life for the product. Properly maintained facilities also contribute to the general feeling of well being that characterizes the ambiance of a hygienic installation. Failure to follow proper maintenance procedures may shorten service life and will reduce product aesthetic quality level over time. Such a condition tends to encourage the disrespect that engenders overt vandalism and may forfeit any user/owner claims to warranty.