

## Cleaning and Maintenance Stainless Steel & ABS Soap Dispensers Quick & easy tips for keeping your product looking great

Maintaining a clean and functional Soap Dispenser is just a matter of a few simple steps. And you don't need any expensive cleaning agents or special equipment – ordinary household cleaners are usually all that's required. You just need to bear in mind a few easy DOs and DON'Ts ...

### **KEEPING THE EXTERNAL UNIT CLEAN**

- \* Metlam Soap Dispenser look and operate best if they are cleaned regularly with plenty of water.
- \*Drying afterwards makes sure streaky marks aren't left behind.
- \*Wiping with a damp cloth is basically ineffective, as it can smear dirt without removing it.
- \*Routine cleaning prevents any stubborn stains building up.

### **WHAT TO USE:-**

For day to day cleaning, plenty of water, some mild detergent and a cloth or soft brush will do the job.

You can use a 1% ammonia solution but, don't use bleach – it's just too easy to make the solution too strong making it difficult to properly rinse it off the surface afterwards.

After washing, thoroughly rinse with clean water and wipe the surface dry with a soft absorbent cloth.

On brushed Zinc Alloy Diecast, follow the direction of the grain for best results.

An excellent cloth to use is 3M's Scotch-Brite high performance cleaning cloth.

### **AVOID SCRATCHES!**

Remember, Satin Stainless Steel or ABS can be scratched by careless handling or aggressive scrubbing.

Avoid dragging rough items across the surface and be aware that grit, trapped under other materials, can actually cause surface scratches.

### **HANDLING TOUGH MARKS & STAINS**

Here's how to get rid of the most common tough marks:

Fingerprints, oil & grease marks

If a mild detergent or dishwashing detergent doesn't shift unsightly fingermarks, eliminate them with a quality glass cleaner on a soft cloth. Also, use of a small amount of alcohol, methylated spirits, acetone or mineral turpentine will remove these type marks.

Thoroughly rinse with clean water and dry.

Longer protection to high volume usage items can be achieved by lightly rubbing with olive oil or baby oil followed by a polish and shine using a soft cloth.

### **NEVER EVER USE...**

- \* steel wool (wire wool) to clean either Stainless Steel or ABS.
- \* pre-used scourer
- \* Stainless steel wool scouring pads are available for heavy duty work, these will scratch the finish.

### **TOTALLY AVOID**

- \* Rubbing with steel wool (wire wool) or scraping with steel tools
- \* Using scourers
- \* Rubbing plastic scourers across the grain of brushed surfaces
- \* Using concentrated bleach or hydrochloric acid-based cleaning
- \* Contact with product containing chlorine bleach, hydrochloric or muriatic acid

### **CLEANING THE INTERNAL SOAP TANK AND VALVE**

For all Soap Dispensers the cleaning of the tank is similar, first remove soap dispenser from wall bracket where possible (This will more likely apply to Stainless Steel models, where the tank is built into the unit) or remove the tank from the unit where possible.

Empty all soap from tank and flush tank with warm water, to remove any dried or thickened soap residue.

Once clean reinstall tank into unit (or for Stainless Steel units back onto wall bracket, remembering to retighten grub screw, as if not tight this will cause leakage when tank is refilled).

On Stainless Steel models if valve is blocked these can be removed and cleaned in warm water.

Note: After you refill soap tank on manual push button Soap Dispensers you must prime valve in order to start soap flow. To do this you place finger over drip spout and push valve in. remove finger and let valve come out, repeat this process until soap starts to dispense.

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