

Ceiling Maintenance Instructions

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Pre-Installation, Cleaning and Maintenance Instructions for TOPO™ and TRANSLUCENTS™ Ceiling Panels

TOPO™ 3-Dimensional System and TRANSLUCENTS™ Luminous Infill Panels create contemporary spaces with unique visual impact in retail, hospitality, office, education and entertainment environments. These systems consist of pre-formed and flat LEXAN® infill panels and a corresponding DONN® Brand Suspension System.

Proper preparation and cleaning can help to maintain the panels' original appearance. Before installation, remove any dirt and debris from the surrounding area.

Preparation

Remove masking paper adhesive from the panels by applying naphtha (VM&P) or kerosene with a soft cloth, then clean immediately with soap and water. Do not use gasoline. If the panel has static electricity build-up, wash according to instructions below to prevent the panel from attracting dirt and dust.

Washing

Washing will reduce static electricity in the panels, helping to prevent attraction to dust. Wash panels with a mild soap or detergent (see Compatible Cleaners below) and lukewarm water, using a clean sponge or soft cloth. Rinse well with clean water. Dry thoroughly with a chamois or moist cellulose sponge to prevent water spots. Do not scrub or use brushes.

To remove fresh paint splashes, grease or smeared glazing compounds, rub panels lightly with VM&P naphtha or isopropyl alcohol. Wash with warm water and a mild soap or detergent solution. Rinse thoroughly with clean water and dry.

Compatible Cleaners

Harsh solvents such as methyl ethyl ketone (MEK) or muriatic acid can cause surface degradation and crazing. Use only the following mild cleaning agents*

- VM&P naphtha™
- Briallianize™
- FREON® 11 or FREON 113
- JOY®
- PALMOLIVE® Dishwashing Liquid
- WINDEX®

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Follow the manufacturer's instructions and recommendations when using these products.

Polishing Scratches

Buff and fill scratches and minor abrasions with one of the following mild polishes*:

- MEGUIAR'S® Mirror Glaze Clear Plastic Detailer
- NOVUS® Plastic Polish (No. 1 or No. 2)
- PLEXUS® Plastic Cleaner Protectant and Polish
- SC JOHNSON® Paste Wax

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Test the product selected on a small section of one panel, following the polish manufacturer's instructions, to determine its effectiveness for your application.

Limitations

- Do not use abrasive or highly alkaline cleaners.
- Do not scrape panels with squeegees, razor blades or other sharp instruments.
- Do not use benzene, gasoline, acetone, carbon tetrachloride or butyl cellosolve.
- Do not clean panels in extreme sunlight or at elevated temperatures.

Notice

We shall not be liable for incidental or consequential damages, directly or indirectly sustained, nor for any loss caused by application of these goods not in accordance with current printed instructions or for other than the intended use. Our liability is expressly limited to replacement of defective goods. Any claim shall be deemed waived unless made in writing to us within thirty (30) days from the date it was or reasonably should have been discovered.

Maintenance Instructions for Donn Suspension System

STORAGE:

Store in dry area protected from elements and in a manner that will prevent warpage, scratches or damages of any kind.

ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Building conditions: Building shall be enclosed with all windows and exterior doors in place and glazed, and the roof watertight before installation of suspension system.

2. Interior temperature/humidity conditions in building: Climatic conditions in areas to receive suspension system shall range from 60°F (15,56°C) to 85°F (29,44°C) and relative humidity of not more than 70% shall be maintained before installation of components.

A) Maintenance: Remove panel material and perform any necessary cleaning maintenance with nonsolvent- based commercial cleaner. Test clean a small area first, different cleaners should not be mixed

B) Immediately remove any corrosive substances or chemical that would attack painted finishes (i.e. wallpaper adhesives.)

C) Touch up all minor scratches and spots, as acceptable or replace damaged sections when touch-up in not permitted.

D) Painting: Repainting of suspension members shall be with a high-quality-solvent based paint and applied as recommended by paint manufacturer.

At the time of installation, after the protective film is removed, it is advisable to wipe the mirror finish with clean soft lint-free cloth using mild cleaners such as Pledge or Windex. This removes the residue of the protective film left on the grid and minimises collection of dirt in the air, assisting to provide a longer period before cleaning. For subsequent cleaning, again use Pledge or Windex with a soft lint-free cloth. Never use abrasive cleaners or cleaners with chlorine.

When the soil is heavy, and Pledge or Windex do not provide satisfactory results, clean grid with vinegar and water (1 part vinegar and 3 parts water). When this solution is used, it is extremely important that the grid is dried completely, wipe grid with an other clean dry soft lint-free cloth immediately following the wet cloth. Any solution left not dried may harm the surface finish and could result in local deterioration.

Maintenance Instructions for CGC Ceiling Tile Products

General overview - Excess humidity, high temperatures, and chemical fumes should be avoided, except for those products specifically designed for these conditions.

Handling - Ceiling tiles are considered fragile, and should be handled with care to avoid breakage, scuffing, or surface indentations.

Cleaning – If the surface becomes dirty, clean with a vacuum cleaner, damp sponge or (dry) chemical sponge. For excessive dirt, we recommend that a commercial ceiling cleaning contractor be hired, and the dirt source be remedied as soon as possible.

Painting – If, for any reason, the ceiling panels must be re-painted, use a non-bridging vinyl latex flat wall paint. CGC cannot warrant ceiling products that have been painted, or modified in any way.

Maintenance Instructions for CGC Metal Ceiling Panels

General - Chemical substances or fumes should be avoided, unless the panels have been specially manufactured to meet a specific job condition.

Handling – While metal panels are durable, they are subject to handling damage. Avoid sharp objects, and other forces which may cause surface indentations and scratches. Avoid twisting or bending.

Cleaning – Painted Panels: Clean with a nonabrasive, nonsolvent-based commercial cleaner on a soft cloth. Do not flood the panel surface.

Reflective Finish Panels: Clean with a non-abrasive, quick-drying glass cleaner, with a soft cotton cloth.

Painting – Painted Panels: For touch-up, use special paint supplied by CGC Inc. If, for any reason, the ceiling panels must be re-painted, we suggest they be removed from the ceiling, and painted by a professional commercial painter. Special primers may be necessary to prevent intercoat bond failure. Contact your CGC Sales Representative for assistance.

Reflective Finish Panels should not be re-finished in any way.

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