

Corian® was created for a lifetime of easy care. Just follow the simple guidelines listed here to keep your Corian® surfaces looking as fresh as the day they were installed. Your care and maintenance kit will provide you with the tips and tools to help you enjoy your new Corian® top for years to come.

Routine Care

There are three types of countertop finishes: matte/satin, semi-gloss and high-gloss*. Most countertops are finished with a matte/satin finish. All sinks have a matte/satin finish. Soapy water, ammonia based cleaners or commercially available solid surface cleaners will remove most dirt and residue from all types of finishes. Stubborn residue will require a little stronger cleaner. Follow the recommendations on the next page to properly clean your countertop and sink.

With over 100 colors and varying hues some colors may appear to require more frequent cleaning to maintain a uniform finish. Darker colors tend to require more attention than lighter colors. Over time through care and use your countertop will acquire a patina, changing the appearance of the finish. You may restore the look of the original finish by following the refurbishing guidelines below.

Countertops

Cleaning All Finishes

Most dirt & residue	Use soapy water or ammonia based cleaner, rinse and wipe dry.
Water marks	Wipe with damp cloth and wipe dry
Difficult residue	Spray residue with Deep Cleaner for DuPont Corian® from Stone Care International, wait for about 30 seconds for cleaner to work. Wipe dry with a paper towel. If residue persists, repeat process. If residue still persists, follow directions for removing scratches.
Disinfecting	Occasionally wipe surface with dilute household bleach (1 part water/1 part bleach). Rinse top thoroughly with water and wipe dry.

Refurbishing Finished Gloss Level

Matte	Rub entire surface with a Clean EnCounters®** pad in a circular motion. Rinse surface with water and wipe dry.
Semi-gloss	Use a countertop polish (see list below) to help hide scratches and blend in a uniform gloss level.
High-gloss	Follow steps for semi-gloss or contact your dealer to arrange for professional refurbishment.

Sinks & Lavatories

Cleaning	Follow procedures above or use Soft Scrub®** and a green Scotch-Brite®* pad to remove residue. Rub Clean EnCounters®** pad over entire sink to blend in finish.
Disinfecting	Occasionally fill sink 1/4 full with diluted household bleach (1 part water/1 part bleach). Let stand for 15 minutes, then wash sides and bottom as solution drains. Rinse sink with water.

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DO NOT get bleach solution in eyes or on bare skin. Always wear rubber gloves and protective eyewear when working with bleach. Over the counter cleaners, such as, Clean EnCounters® may be used for routine cleaning in place of soap and water. To enhance the gloss level on semi-gloss and high-gloss finishes, use a countertop polish such as Countertop Magic®¹, Hope's Countertop Polish®² or Enhance Countertop Polish®³.

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² Hope's Countertop Polish is a registered trademark of The Hope Co.

³ Enhance Countertop Polish is a registered of Eastern Marble Co

Preventing Heat Damage

Corian® is an excellent material for heat resistance. As with all countertop materials, it is important to minimize direct heat exposure to protect your surface and investment. We recommend using heat trivets or hot pads when placing hot objects on any surface. Allow cookware to cool before placing them into a Corian® sink.

Preventing Other Damage

In most cases Corian® can be repaired if accidentally damaged. However, be sure to follow the guidelines here to prevent any permanent damage to Corian®. Avoid exposing Corian® to strong chemicals, such as paint removers, oven cleaners, etc. If contact occurs, quickly flush the surface with water. Do not cut directly on Corian® countertops. Boiling water alone will not damage your Corian® sink, however it's a good practice to run your faucet while pouring boiling water into your sink.

Removing Minor Cuts and Scratches*

Because the solid beauty of Corian® goes all the way through, Corian® surfaces are completely renewable. You can remove minor cuts and scratches yourself by following these instructions.

Judge the severity of the scratch and start with the finest grit sanding pad to remove the scratch. (The color of the pads from roughest to smoothest are: White, Yellow, Green, Peach, Lilac, Blue, Gray.) Rub over scratch in a straight line to remove it. Periodically switch rubbing direction 90°. Be sure all of the scratch is removed. If this first step takes too long, try the next heavier grit sanding pad. To minimize dust during sanding, wet the surface. Rinse pad periodically to clean residue. Clean top with water. Select next lighter grit and repeat process. Rub over a larger area to blend in sanding. Continue process using successively finer grits until desired gloss level is achieved. Rinse out all pads used and air dry before putting them away.

*For large defects and repairs or for complete routine professional refurbishing service, contact your local Corian® sales expert.