

METAL CEILING PANELS

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(See separate cleaning guides for laminated metal/wood veneer and Stainless Steel panels)

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Metal panels provide unparalled aesthetics while offering great durability and acoustics for any environment. Ceiling and wall installations consist of preformed panels, suspension systems, and factory applied coatings/finishes.

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

PREPARATION

Metal panels, especially those with the Anodized Aluminum finish, may arrive at the job site with a protective film applied to the surface. This film should be removed prior to panel installation; simply peel up at one corner and pull away from the panel face. Do not leave film attached to panels for more than 90 days as it will become increasingly difficult to remove.

CLEANING

Wipe panels with a clean, soft cloth to remove dust. For more difficult residue, wash panels with a mild soap or detergent (see Compatible Cleaners below) and lukewarm water, using a damp (but not soaked) clean sponge or soft cloth. Rinse well with clean water on a damp sponge or soft cloth. 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 slightly with isopropyl alcohol. (isopropyl alcohol will damage the paint if used in excess or used repeatedly.) Wash with warm water and mild soap or detergent solution. Rinse thoroughly with clean water and dry.

For products with a faux wood finish clean in the direction of the wood grain. (See SC5449 Wood Handling Guide for cleaning instruction of products with real wood veneer finish, such as Arboreal®.)

Important: Use care when cleaning perforated panels with an acoustical backer laminated to the back surface. This backer must not be immersed in or saturated with water and should not be exposed to cleaning agents.

COMPATIBLE CLEANERS

Use only the following mild cleaning agents:

- Joy® dishwashing detergent
- Palmolive® dishwashing liquid
- Windex® glass cleaner

Follow the manufacturer's instructions and recommendations when using these products. DO NOT USE HARSH CHEMICALS - which can cause surface degradation and crazing.

LIMITATIONS

- **Do not** use solvents; including 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 apply cleaning agents directly to the panel, dilute and apply via sponge or soft cloth.

For real wood veneer products follow their recommended cleaning instructions.

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