

# **Care and Cleaning**

Maintaining Your Transportation Seating



# cleaning care





InSight-Prime



InSight-Prime+



Vision



/ision-NU



6000 Series

Taking care of your seats will preserve the life and appearance of your investment. The following care and cleaning recommendations are for materials used in American Seating transportation products to help ensure that your investment looks its best.

## **General Cleaning**

For dirt and general spot removal, fiberglass, composite resin and stainless steel may be cleaned with a non-abrasive, mild household detergent like *Fantastic*® or *Formula 409*® after testing a small, inconspicuous area prior to cleaning. Wipe with a clean, damp cloth and allow to dry.

Even though these are general cleaners, leaving any chemical on fiberglass or composite resin for extended periods could yield negative results. It is always best to rinse with water after cleaning.

# **Disinfecting**

Follow General Cleaning guidelines prior to disinfecting hard-surface materials. For disinfection, diluted household bleach solutions, alcohol-based solutions, and EPA-registered disinfectants such as **Vital Oxide®**, **Diversey Virex® II 256** or **Triad® III** and **Centraz® San Sol 10** have proven to be safe to use on our products when following manufacturer's instructions. The bleach solution recommendation by the CDC is one-third of a cup of bleach per gallon of water. For vinyl upholstery, diluted bleach, alcohol based and hydrogen peroxide disinfectants can be used, although individual product recommendations vary by supplier.

#### **Graffiti Removal**

Markings and stains from permanent marker and other compounds continue to be ongoing issues for transit agencies. American Seating has tested a variety of cleaners and has found the following agents to be successful:

Insight®, Insight-Prime®, Insight-Prime+®, Vision® and Vision-NU

Spray on recommended cleaner, **TSW2R Multi-Master**, let it soak in for a few seconds and remove the cleaning agent with a soft, white, disposable cloth. If ghosted marks remain on the seat, reapply and clean with the same process until all markings are removed. A final water rinse and a wipe dry will remove any remaining cleaning agent residue per cleaner instructions.

\*When using harsh cleaners always use protective gloves and work in an area with proper ventilation as recommended and explained by the manufacturer and their material safety data sheets.

Barrier Panels and other Trim Components Made from Plastic Sheet (including 6000 Series Back Panels)

Same process as above, but only use non-VOC, TSW9 Plasti-Master for these plastic surfaces.

All TSW products are available from This Stuff Works, Inc., (tswusa.com)

Vision Stainless Steel Back Panels and Tubular Frame

**Scotch-Brite™** hand pads can also be used to repair scratches and remove graffiti markings. The surface can be returned to its original appearance by rubbing in-line with the existing finish direction.

## **Upholstery Care**

For your fabric and vinyl cleaning needs, regularly remove all dust and loose dirt from fabric with a whisk broom or vacuum cleaner.

Always begin with lukewarm water and a white cloth for most stain removal before applying any cleaning agent. Use foam upholstery cleaner or a mild household detergent and follow the fabric supplier's directions by first testing in a small area. Flush the area with water after cleaning.

For specific stain removal, please contact your fabric supplier.

As with all materials, extreme care should be taken when selecting a cleaning agent. Solvent-based cleaners should be avoided. Some solutions may leave a residue or discolor the material. Test an inconspicuous area prior to cleaning and follow the manufacturer's directions.



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