

# **FINISHING MAINTENANCE PROGRAM**



## **CONSIDERATIONS**

- ✓ The base for the maintenance program are clean surfaces. Dust, salt and other substances deposits on surfaces will accelerate the finishes deterioration.
- ✓ For exterior units installed/located near a sea shore, beach, areas with extreme sunlight exposure or other harsh environments, maintenance product should be applied at least every 6 months for the exterior units to counter damage that finished surfaces could get from the environment (like saline breeze, excessive UV exposure, etc.);
- ✓ For interior units (not exposed to direct sunlight, weather or other harsh conditions) one application of maintenance product every 12 months should be enough.
- ✓ In case of premature wear off the top coat is visible, the application of the maintenance product could be done sooner.

## **ACTIONS TO TAKE**

- Keep surfaces as clean as possible. Frequency of the cleaning depends strictly on the environment. The main goal should be to keep surfaces free of dust, salt, etc.
- A simple wipe off using a clean soft lint free cloth dampened in clean water should be enough for a regular clean.
- Deeper cleaning can be done with the help of a neutral liquid soap (scentless colorless liquid neutral soap is best) with warm water and a clean soft lint free cloth. Don't forget to rinse off the soap.
- Apply a proper maintenance product over water based finishes, according to the sheen of the finish.
- Maintenance product should be applied over the units at least once a year. Depending on the environment, applications may be done more frequently.

## **IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATIONS**

- ✓ Avoid using harsh abrasive fibers over the finished surfaces.
- ✓ Avoid using citric based, silicone based cleaners or powder detergents to clean the surfaces.
- ✓ When using a soft cloth to clean the units, rinse the cloth in clean water as often as possible in order to avoid that dirt and other hard particles picked up by the cloth of one area scratch another area in the cleaning process.
- ✓ Shelf life for water base products, like the maintenance product can be extended for up to 18 months from the moment the product is received if kept in optimal conditions (stored in the shade, in a fresh environment, with the cap perfectly closed).