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Proper Cleaning Techniques

The "final touch" on any outstanding mirror installation is proper cleaning. The techniques described here are good practices for you and should be passed on to your customers so they can maintain the mirror for the life of the job.

The safest cleaner for a mirror is clean, warm water used with a soft cloth. An approved glass cleaner such as Windex or similar products may be used. Be careful not to allow the edges of the mirror to get or remain wet over a period of time.

Do not use any acid or alkali cleaners for mirror cleanup after installation. They can attack both the surface and edges as well as the backing of the mirror. And never use an abrasive cleaner on any mirror surface.

Do not use cleaners with heavy ammonia bases. These too can damage the mirror edges and backing and result in a ruined mirror. I Never spray any cleaner directly on to a mirror. Instead, apply the cleaner to a soft cloth and then wipe the mirror. This will also prevent "puddling" at the mirror edge where the cleaner could attack the backing.

Always use soft, grit-free cloths when cleaning a mirror to reduce chances of scratching the surface.

Be sure to dry all joints and edges thoroughly to be certain no commercial cleaner comes in contact with the edge and backing. Be sure to let your customers know that routine cleaning maintenance can be accomplished simply and effectively by washing, rinsing and drving the mirror.

Note: Good ventilation will keep mirrors from "sweating" and creating condensing liquids which could be corrosive and damaging to mirrors.

These techniques were developed by the National Association of Mirror Manufacturers years ago. They have since been endorsed by several other Trade Associations.

No warranty from Lenoir Mirror will apply unless these cleaning techniques are adhere to.

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