

# SKELETON GLASS

CARE GUIDE

# SHOWER SCREEN

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### Care and Maintenance of your Shower Screen

To preserve the life of your shower screen, the anodized and powder coated aluminium sections require regular cleaning to remove and prevent a build-up of soap scum, mildew and hard water lime scale.

- Start cleaning at installation, ensuring construction materials such as concrete, plaster and paint splashes are removed before they have a chance to dry.
- Wipe the surfaces with a clean, nonabrasive damp cloth using warm water and nonabrasive, pH neutral detergent solution.
- Never use abrasive household cleaners, steel wool, hard brushes or excessive abrasive rubbing which will wear, damage and dull the finish.
- For more stubborn dirt, a mild detergent should be used with a soft brush or sponge.
- Surfaces should be thoroughly rinsed after cleaning to remove all residues.
- It is highly recommended to squeegee glass after each time shower is used to remove water from sitting.
- We recommended applying Enduroshield prior to first use to help care and maintain your shower screen for longer.

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#### Frameless showerscreen hardware adjustments & maintenance

Check the hinges at six-monthly intervals to make sure that the “hinge to glass clamp” screws are tight and the hinges operate freely. A couple of spots of sewing machine oil is recommended on metal hinges.

Check that there is a minimum clearance of 2.5mm between the vertical edge of the frameless glass door and the fixed glass panel. A helpful reference is to use a 10c coin which is 1.7mm thick or a 20c coin which is 2.3mm thick.

Check that the screws clamping the hinges and the screws clamping the fixing clip to the floor and or the wall are tight. Where there is less than 2mm clearance it increases the risk of glass to glass contact which may result in glass breakage. For this reason where there is less than 2.0mm clearance, please contact the Skeleton Glass office to arrange for a service call to correct the clearance.

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### Warnings

It is important to follow the cleaning instructions outlined in this guide to ensure the finish of your shower screen is preserved over the years.

- Do not use cleaners that contain Hydrofluoric or Phosphoric Acid
- Never use alkaline, acidic or abrasive based cleaners
- Under no circumstances use strong solvent or harsh detergents, bleach, scourers or any other abrasive cleaner on frame
- Do not clean glass when the glass is hot or in direct sunlight
- Avoid causing extreme temperature changes to the glass as this may lead to thermal fracture of the glass
- Some tapes or adhesives can stain or damage glass surfaces. Avoid using such materials unless they are known to be easily removed
- Avoid cleaning with Diamond rings as this will cause damage and scratch the glass

# WARDROBE DOORS

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### Maintaining and Caring for your Wardrobe Doors

Advice for a lifetime of good looks and smooth operation from your quality Skeleton Glass wardrobe doors.

Wardrobes don't require a lot of fuss when it comes to cleaning, but a regular clean and vacuum will ensure you get years of reliable service.

#### Cleaning wardrobe doors

Keeping your wardrobe doors clean is as simple as wiping over with a soft damp cloth. If you have stubborn marks, use a mild detergent and water solution to help remove.

For regular cleaning of wardrobe doors with a pattern or a texture, wipe down with a soft damp cloth and a solution of water with a minimal amount of a mild detergent. If you have stubborn marks that won't come off using this method, try using a very soft-bristled brush in place of the cloth and this should help to remove.

A few important things to avoid:

- Never clean too intensely or for too long in the one area
- Don't use scourers or other abrasive cleaning items
- Do not use solvents or harsh detergents, bleaches, rough, gritty, highly acidic, alkaline or abrasive cleaners

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#### Adjusting your doors

If necessary adjust the sliding wardrobe door rollers to raise the sliding door. This will help to provide clearance between the door and the sill/track.

#### Spare parts for your wardrobe

Should you need replacement rollers, these are available from Skeleton Glass.

#### Smooth sliding wardrobe doors

To ensure that your sliding wardrobe doors are sliding freely, a regular vacuum or clean of the bottom track to remove dust, dirt and debris is recommended.

#### Hardware

To clean hardware such as hinges and handles, use a mild detergent and warm water. Wash hardware, then rinse with clean, warm water. Do not use any substances with abrasives.

# MIRROR & SPLASHBACK

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### **Maintaining and Caring for your Mirrors and/or Splashbacks**

A Skeleton Glass mirror or splashback has been designed and tested to provide you with years of exceptional performance. To help keep your new Skeleton Glass purchase in sparkling condition and to maintain your product, here are some important care and maintenance points for you to follow:

#### **Cleaning Mirrors**

To clean apply a reputable ammonia-free mirror glass cleaner or methylated spirits to a clean lint-free cloth, and wipe in a circular motion. Polish with a clean non-abrasive, lint-free cloth.

Moisture, water and liquid cleaners should be kept away from the back edge of mirrors. Dry any residue immediately otherwise the warranty may be voided. Adequate ventilation is important. Diamond rings should not be worn when cleaning shower screen glass as they can damage & scratch the glass surface.

#### **Cleaning Splashbacks**

Cleaning any type of splashbacks can be done as soon as there are spills on the surface. However, glass splashbacks can be damaged by harsh cleaners and abrasive cloths. It is essential to learn the proper ways of cleaning your splashbacks to reduce the risks of acquiring stains on the glass.

You might be thinking of ways how to keep your glass splashbacks sparkling clean, so here are some valuable tips for you:

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- Ensure that you use a safe and good quality glass cleaner to remove dirt from the glass splashbacks.
- Use microfibre cloths as they work better compared to other types of fabric when cleaning glass splashbacks.
- Avoid cleaning the glass when direct sunlight is striking it. The sun's ray may heat the glass and dry out the cleaning solution, making it more challenging to achieve a streak-free finish.
- You can use a white vinegar solution for glass splashbacks. Combine one part of white vinegar with four parts of water. Put the solution into a spray bottle before using it.
- Make sure that the cloth you'll use for cleaning is lint-free. A good alternative for wiping off glass surfaces is a newspaper. Wear kitchen gloves when cleaning to avoid newspapers staining your hand.
- When you get streaks when cleaning glass splashbacks, use distilled water instead for your vinegar and water solution. Distilled water is free from minerals, unlike tap water.
- If there is a particularly stubborn stain that can't be removed by just wiping off, try leaving the vinegar solution or glass cleaner for about two minutes. Do not try to remove the stain by using an abrasive cloth. It can damage the glass splashbacks more.

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It is advisable to replace the sealant of your glass splashbacks after five years or more. You can inquire to Skeleton Glass for advice on what type of sealant will be best to use. You can also hire them to do the job to make sure that the sealer is applied correctly.

#### The Don'ts to Remember When Cleaning Glass Splashbacks

Here are four things not to do when cleaning glass splashbacks:

- Avoid using abrasive cloths, plastics and metals. They can ruin the surface of any splashbacks.
- Do not keep stains for a long time. They should be removed immediately. Remember that splashbacks are porous, and leaving anything on them can result in stubborn stains.
- Do not use strong chemicals that destroy the sealer of your benchtops and splashbacks. Make sure to use only the recommended products or some natural solutions. Paint thinners and other chemicals are to be avoided since they can damage the splashback.
- Do not disregard any break in the sealant around the splashbacks. When taken for granted, this can lead to more significant issues over time.

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