

DOOR CARE GUIDE



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About

Carrying out basic regular maintenance will ensure that your glazing products stay in the best possible condition for the longest time.

This guide contains useful information to help you to keep your new doors in the best working order.

▲ Composite Doors

Composite doors are incredibly low maintenance, simply needing a quick wipe over with a lint-free cloth and warm soapy water and dried with a soft clean cloth. Composite doors installed in coastal areas or properties near busy main roads may require closer attention to keep them looking their very best.

Metal polish should be avoided. Use a quality wax furniture polish instead, applying the polish to the cloth; not the product.

For lever handles, clean and remove any dirt and debris from all moving parts at least once a year. Lightly apply oil to all external moving parts using a light machine oil on an annual basis.



▲ **Residential Doors**

Doors can be fitted with lever pad handles. These limit outside key opening. Doors can also be fitted with lever handles to allow external handle opening.

Most modern residential doors feature multi-point locking systems as standard. These incorporate deadbolts and a latch lock that engage in keeps fitted within the door jamb.

Deadbolt multi-point locks are engaged by lifting the handle.

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- **Door lock lubrication** - Residential door locks should be lubricated as required. Periodic lubrication will help to preserve the continued smooth functionality of your doors.
- **Locking mechanism** - open the door and lubricate the deadbolts and latch lock with light machine oil.
- **Hinges** - hinge pins should be cleaned and lightly oiled. For external hinges on open-out doors, this should be done every six months.
- **Handles** - lightly oil and clean any external moving parts.
- **Double doors** - lubricate all external moving parts as required.



▲ **Inline Sliding Patio Doors**

Sliding patio doors require limited cleaning and maintenance to keep them in the best working order. General servicing is straightforward and does not require any specialist tools or equipment.

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Cleaning and maintenance

Oil the locking cams of the door mechanism as required.

- **Bottom track** - Ensure that the bottom track is kept clean and free from dirt and debris. Drainage slots should be kept clear, and no lubrication is required.
- **Weather seals** - Take particular care when cleaning around the weather seals to prevent the seals from becoming dislodged. If a weather seal does become dislodged, slide it back into the groove immediately to prevent damage occurring when the door is closed. If the weather seals are broken or damaged, you will need to contact our customer service team to rectify the problem.

It's important to maintain the bottom track/rail by checking for any dirt or obstructions once a month and wiping them over once a year. Yearly attention should also be paid to gaskets, by applying domestic talc or liquid silicone between the moving and fixed parts to avoid cracks and deposits.



Aluminium Doors

Generally, aluminium doors that feature organic paint coatings (acrylic and polyester) require a quick wipe down every 6 months to retain a sleek modern appearance. Whereas in areas affected by saltwater, industrial chemical plants or other aggressive emission sources, cleaning should be carried out at least every 3 months to avoid corrosion issues.

You should:

- Wash with a clean, warm non-alkaline detergent and water solution
- Remove grime, grease and excess chalking with a non-abrasive cloth, sponge or soft bristle brush
- Thoroughly wash out all ridges, grooves, joints and drainage channels where corrosive deposits have collected, to avoid corrosion issues further down the line
- Rinse with clean water and carefully dry with a soft cloth or leather
- If gloss reduction, excessive chalking or staining has occurred, an approved renovating cream can be applied with a non-abrasive cloth, polished off with a soft cloth.

Aluminium doors that are in constant use, e.g. schools, hospitals and public buildings, should be maintained every 3 months and panic doors should be addressed on a monthly basis.



Bifold Doors

Bifold doors are designed to provide many years of smooth functioning performance. They require very little servicing and maintenance to keep them in the best condition.

Any general cleaning and maintenance can be easily carried out without the need for specialist tools or equipment.

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Lock lubrication - External moving parts and frame keeps should be cleaned and lightly greased at least once a year.

Hinge lubrication - Hinge pins should be cleaned and lightly oiled once a year. For open-out configured bifold doors with external hinges, these should be cleaned and lightly oiled every six months.

Hardware lubrication - All locking points and the inside top and bottom track bearing surface should be cleaned and lightly greased with petroleum jelly once a year.

Handles - Clean and lightly oil all external moving parts once a year.