

## UNIQUE FABRICS - CARE CODES

### CARE CODE 1 - Upholstery Pile

Protect from direct sunlight. Vacuum regularly using low suction. Rotate reversible cushions regularly.

**Cleaning** - Do not remove cushion covers for separate cleaning even though they have zippers. Clean with hot water extraction machine (hot). Professional cleaning recommended. Do not use dishwashing or laundry detergents. Use only upholstery detergent. Do not wet filling. Dry in shade away from direct heat and sunlight. Gently vacuum to restore pile. Allow to dry thoroughly before reuse.

**OR** May be dry cleaned with an on-site dry cleaning machine. Professional cleaning recommended. Do not wet filling with solvent. Extract solvent thoroughly after application. Do not scrub with stiff brush.

**OR** May be shampoo cleaned using upholstery shampoo. Do not wet filling. Do not scrub with stiff brush. Dry in shade away from direct heat and sunlight. Allow to dry thoroughly before reuse.

**Spot cleaning** - Treat spills and stains as soon as possible. Gently scrape any soil or mop any liquid from the surface of the fabric. Do not scrub. Apply proprietary cleaning agents strictly according to instructions to remove the residue of the spill. Do not saturate the fabric or interior with water or other cleaning liquids. May be spot cleaned with dry cleaning solvent.

### CARE CODE 2 - Upholstery Non-pile

Protect from direct sunlight. Vacuum regularly using low suction. Rotate reversible cushions regularly.

**Cleaning** - hot water extraction machine recommended. Professional cleaning recommended.

**OR** Shampoo clean. Do not remove cushion covers for cleaning even though they have zippers. Use upholstery detergents only. Do not use dishwashing or laundry detergents. Do not scrub with a stiff brush. Dry in shade away from direct heat and sunlight. Allow to dry thoroughly before reuse.

**OR** Cleaning with an on-site drycleaning machine recommended. Professional cleaning only. Do not wet filling with solvent. Extract solvent thoroughly after application. Do not scrub with a stiff brush.

**Spot cleaning** - as above. Treat spills and stains as soon as possible. Gently remove any soil or mop any liquid from the surface of the fabric. Do not scrub.

Apply proprietary cleaners according to instructions. Do not saturate the fabric or fill with water or other cleaning fluids.

### CARE CODE 3 - Outdoor Solution Dyed Acrylic

**Soil resistant** - The particular finish of Unique outdoor fabrics favours the elimination of stains. Perfect for the living room, kids rooms and kitchens.

**It retains colour & strength** - 100% Solution-dyed acrylic fibre resists fading from the sun, water and general atmospheric agents. Light fastness is 7/8 on the 8 scale. Perfect for garden furniture and

all sun rooms. Printed designs are not as light resistant and must be brought indoors after use.

**Mould resistant** - Suitable even for very damp places like bathrooms, and screened-in porches; it does not promote mildew growth.

**Cleaning** - Most stains on Unique outdoor fabrics can be cleaned with a mild soap and water solution. Remove the dirt simply by rubbing with water (not more than 40 degrees C) and natural soap.

Rinse thoroughly with clean water to remove soap. For removable cushion covers, machine wash in cold water. Do not tumble dry. Eventually, in order to re-establish the natural loss of oil and water repellency, it is advisable to use the spray T202 (obtainable from Unique Fabrics or retailer). Do not steam iron and do not dry with electric sets. Air dry. During the winter season put the fabric in a dry airy place. For stubborn stains, follow the directions of the Acrylic Stain Cleaning Chart (available from all Unique showrooms and agents).

### CARE CODE 4 - Washable

Protect from direct and reflective sunlight. Possible stretch and shrinkage of up to 4%.

Remove hooks, rings and trims before cleaning. Do not allow dust to accumulate. Regularly gently vacuum with appropriate attachment.

**Cleaning** - Warm hand wash, do not tumble dry. Dry flat in shade away from direct heat and sunlight. Warm iron following manufacturers instructions precisely. Professional cleaning recommended.

Caring for your furnishing fabrics will enhance their lifespan and appearance.

### CARE CODE 5 - Wipeable Synthetic

Protect from direct and reflective sunlight. Do not let dust accumulate. Gently vacuum frequently.

**Cleaning** - Remove stains and spills immediately. Use a soft moist cloth to mop up any liquid from the surface. Use a dry cloth to remove excess moisture. Do not leave damp this will promote growth of mould and mildew. Do not use harsh commercial cleaners or abrasive materials. A mix of warm water and mild dishwashing liquid is recommended. Gently dab with a damp cloth. Avoid excess wetting.

Test first in an inconspicuous area. Do not use petroleum or oil-based solvents on PVC fabrics. To prevent fading and cracking a special protective finish for vinyl/PVC fabrics can be applied. Contact Unique Fabrics for more information.

### CARE CODE 6 (DNW) - Do Not Wash

Protect from direct and reflective sunlight.

**This product is not washable.** Do not let dust accumulate. Clean regularly by gently wiping with a soft dry cloth or a soft brush. Do not scrub.

### CARE CODE 7 (HW) - Hardware

Caring for your hardware will enhance its lifespan and appearance. Using of a soft, dry cloth regularly wipe the hardware. Do not use cleaning sprays or solvents as these products could deteriorate the surface of the hardware.

### CARE CODE 8 (L) - Leather

Due to the numerous and diverse types of leather available please free call Unique Fabrics for more information: **AU 1800 145 855** or **NZ 0800 864 783**

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### CARE CODE 9 - Wool

Protect from direct and reflective sunlight. Possible stretch and shrinkage of up to 4%.

**Cleaning** - Clean with petroleum distillate based solvents using a damp cloth. Wipe with a gentle sweeping motion. Do not rub. Pre-test a small area before proceeding. Do not use water based detergent type solvent cleaners as they may cause excessive shrinkage and water stains may remain. Prevent overall soilage by vacuuming or brushing lightly.

**Note** - Where furnishing fabrics are used for made up articles other than curtains, such as upholstery, professional advice should be sought.

### CARE CODE 10 - Dry Clean Only

Protect from direct and reflective sunlight. Possible stretch and shrinkage of up to 4%.

**Cleaning** - Professional dry-cleaning recommended (P). Washing is not recommended. Do not let dust accumulate, turn your cushions regularly. Gently vacuum frequently. Lining improves the look and lifespan of your curtains. Fabrics breathe and absorb moisture.

### CARE CODE 11 (WC-1) - Non-washable wallcoverings

**This product is spongeable only at the time of installation.** Adhesive may be wiped off the face of the wallcovering with a damp soft cloth or sponge at the time of hanging without causing visible damage, providing it is done whilst the adhesive is still damp. Gently dab the surface. Do not rub or use a circular motion. Blot wallcovering dry with a soft, lint-free cloth.

**No subsequent washability is claimed or implied.**

Do not use solvent type cleaning preparations. Do not use steel wool, powdered abrasives or abrasive sponges. Do not use a dry cloth or sponge on the dry wallcovering surface. These methods will damage the surface of the wallcovering.

### CARE CODE 12 (WC-2) - Wipeable wallcoverings

Some domestic water-based stains may be cleaned carefully from the front face of this wallcovering. Oils, fats and solvent-based stains are **not** expected to be removable.

Remove stains immediately to eliminate any possible reaction between the staining agent and wallcovering. If soil remains on the wallcovering, permanent discoloration may develop.

Use a soft damp cloth, mild soap and warm water to remove a 'fresh' stain by gently dabbing the contaminated area. Rinse thoroughly with a clean damp cloth. Blot wallcovering dry with a soft, lint-free cloth.

Adhesive may be wiped off the face of the wallcovering with a damp soft cloth or sponge at the time of hanging without causing visible damage, providing it is done whilst the adhesive is still damp.

Do not use solvent type cleaning preparations. Do not use steel wool, powdered abrasives or abrasive sponges. Do not use a dry cloth or sponge on the dry wallcovering surface. These methods will damage the surface of the wallcovering.

### CARE CODE 13 (WC-3) - Gentle Clean wallcoverings

Regular maintenance of your wallcovering reduces soil build-up on a surface. Gently vacuum wallcoverings regularly with a soft upholstery attachment to thoroughly remove air-borne dust and lint. You may also lightly brush these surfaces with a soft brush. Do not rub or brush excessively. Vinyl wallcoverings should not be sprayed with protective coatings.

Remove stains immediately to eliminate any possible reaction between the staining agent and wallcovering. If soil remains on the wallcovering, permanent discoloration may develop. Oils, fats and solvent-based stains are not expected to be removable, but some greasy stains may be removed if action is taken immediately after contamination. Most domestic water based stains can be removed from this wallcovering with a soft, damp cloth, mild soap and warm water.

Carefully dampen the surface of the wallcovering prior to cleaning. Gently dab the surface. Do not rub or use a circular motion. Rinse thoroughly with clean water from the top down. Blot wallcovering dry with a soft, lint free cloth. Try an inconspicuous spot first before attempting larger areas.

Do not use solvent type cleaning preparations. Do not use steel wool, powdered abrasives or abrasive sponges. Do not use a dry cloth or sponge on the dry wallcovering surface. These methods will damage the surface of the wallcovering.

### CARE CODE 14 - Artisan Stripes

This is a hand-screened design using waterbased eco pigments. It is suitable for upholstery, loose covers and accessories only. Not suitable for drapery or blinds.

Do not allow dust to accumulate. Regularly gently vacuum with the appropriate attachment.

**Cleaning** - Gentle COLD water handwash only. Use only mild detergent. Do not bleach. Do not tumble dry. Dry flat in shade away from direct heat and sunlight. Cool iron on the reverse.

Correctly caring for your furnishing fabrics will enhance their lifespan and appearance.

Put loose covers back on and stretch into shape whilst VERY DAMP.

Possible stretch and shrinkage up to 2%.

### CARE CODE 15 - Solution Dyed Polypropylene

**Cleaning** - Most stains can be cleaned with a mild soap and water solution. Remove the dirt by gently dabbing with water (not more than 30°C) and natural soap. Rinse with clean water to thoroughly remove soap. For removable cushion covers: Machine wash in 30° water with a mild detergent.

Air dry on the flat is recommended, OR tumble dry on a 'Synthetics' setting (low temperature).

Iron on a low setting without steam. Professional gentle dry clean.

For outdoor use this product MUST be used in conjunction with OUTDOOR RETICULATED FOAM.

When not in use upholstered items must be dry and stored in a well ventilated place.