



How to care for your

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composite door

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Your new Composite Door

Now you've been handed the keys, it's important to take a little time to read through this guide so you know how to care for your new Composite Door. Your door has been built for you using the best materials. The result is that your new Posh Door requires very little maintenance. We have prepared this guide to help you get the most enjoyment from your door for many years.

Please contact the installation company who installed your door if you have any queries.

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Cleaning



It is recommended your door is cleaned every month to keep it in top condition. You'll find each part of the Composite Door listed below as an easy reference guide.

Before cleaning your door remove all rings, bracelets and watches.

Which part of the door	How often	Recommended Cleaning products	Recommended Finishing products	Notes
Door leaf	Every month	Keep grime and grit free with warm soapy water and wipe dry with a soft cloth		DO NOT USE: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Abrasive cleaners or scouring pads● High pressure or Steam cleaners● Bleach, Solvent (white spirit, methylated spirits, cellulose thinners or nail varnish removers) or adhesives

Door frame	Every month	Wash with warm soapy water	For stubborn stains use a specialised PVC-U cleaner, however, read the manufacturers guidelines carefully	Never use abrasive materials to clean the parts
External glass	Every month	Keep grime and grit free with warm soapy water	Finish with a proprietary glass cleaner	Use only soft cloths
Leaded glass	Every month	Keep grime and grit free with warm soapy water	Finish with a proprietary glass cleaner	Oxidisation will naturally occur over time
Handles, letterplates, spyholes, numbers and knockers	Every month	Wipe clean with a clean cloth and warm water with a mild detergent		DO NOT USE: Abrasive products or solvents such as metal polish, scouring pads, acetone etc.

Maintenance



Our Composite Doors are designed to be low maintenance.

Which part of the door	How often	Recommended maintenance	Recommended maintenance products	Notes
Hinges	Every six months	Lubricate hinges	Light engineering oil e.g. 3 in 1 or an equivalent	
Cylinder locks	Every six months	Lubricate	Teflon based lubricant	DO NOT USE: Oil or graphite powder PosOur

Handles, letterplates, spyholes, numbers and knockers	Every six months	Moving parts should be lightly lubricated	Light engineering oil e.g. 3 in 1 or an equivalent	Particularly essential if products are used within a 25-mile radius of coastal areas or close proximity to building sites or large industrial areas
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Discolouration of silicone seals is a natural occurrence and cannot be avoided. This does not affect the performance of the seals.

Weatherseal (gasket)

During cleaning sometimes weatherseals can become dislodged from their grooves. Simply slide them back into position to avoid damage. However, if weatherseals become broken or damaged contact your installer to replace.

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