

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Meganite[®] can be found throughout the United States in fine homes as well as in commercial applications, attesting to its elegance and durability. With simple routine maintenance under the guidelines outlined, Meganite[®] will give years of carefree service.

- The sanitary properties of Meganite[®] prevent penetration by food, dirt and germs.
- Routine cleaning with soap, water and a sponge, or window cleaner and paper towels, will remove most dirt and stains.
- To disinfect, wipe the surface with a solution of equal parts household bleach and water. Always towel dry to remove water spots.
- For stubborn stains, removal procedures will vary, depending on the finish of the surface.

Matte Finish

Basic Care

Most countertops have a matte finish. For this finish, rub the stain with an **abrasive** cleanser such as Ajax[®] or Comet[®] and a maroon or green Scotch-Brite[®] pad with water. Always rub in a circular motion. Rinse and towel dry. Rubbing the entire surface occasionally will maintain the finish.

Scratch Removal

Hand sand the cut or scratch using 220 grit paper, sanding in a circular motion. Follow by using a 320 or 400 grit paper, again in a circular motion, and rub the area with a maroon or green Scotch-Brite[™] pad.

Semi-Gloss Finish

Basic Care

Use a **non-abrasive** cleanser with diluted bleach, rubbing with a white Scotch-Brite[™] pad. Rinse and towel dry. A non-abrasive polish may be used to enhance the shine.

Scratch Removal

Sand the area as described for a matte finish. Follow with a white rubbing compound such as Soft Scrub[™] applied with a soft cloth and then rub the area with a white Scotch-Brite[™] pad.

High-Gloss Finish

Basic Care

If the counter has a polished or high-gloss finish (not recommended for countertops or other high-use or high traffic areas) use a bleaching, **non-abrasive** cleanser applied with a sponge or use a white polishing compound rubbed with a soft cloth.

Scratch Removal

Sand the area as described for a semi-gloss finish. Follow with a 600 grit paper, always sanding in a circular motion. Buff the area with a white polishing compound using a low-speed polisher equipped with a wool pad. If desired, a non-abrasive countertop polish may be applied.

Note: White or maroon Scotch-Brite™ pads are usually available at most hardware stores.

PREVENTIVE CARE

- **Always** use a hot pad or a trivet with rubber feet under heat-producing appliances or hot pots and pans.
- **Never** cut directly on the surface of the countertop. Always use a cutting board.
- Do not allow harsh chemicals such as acetone (nail polish remover), drain or oven cleaners or paint removers to contact the countertop. Wash these chemicals off with water immediately if they contact the surface.
- Avoid sliding hard objects across the countertop as this can cause scratches. Placing felt protectors on the bottom of these objects will greatly reduce the risk of scratching.
- **Always** run cool water into the sink simultaneously when using an instant hot water dispenser or pouring boiling water into a Meganite® sink.