



SUNBRELLA® FABRIC CARE & MAINTENANCE

Sunbrella® fabric is designed to be easy to maintain. By following a few simple care and cleaning steps, Sunbrella® fabric will maintain its good looks for many years. One of the best ways to keep Sunbrella® fabrics looking good and to delay the need for deep or vigorous cleanings is to hose fabrics off on a monthly basis with clean water. This practice will help prevent dirt from becoming deeply imbedded in the fabric and eliminate the need for more frequent vigorous cleanings. In most environments, a thorough cleaning will be needed every two to three years. When cleaning Sunbrella® fabrics, it is important to observe the following:

- Always use a natural soap (like dishwashing liquid). Never detergent.
- Water should be cold to lukewarm. Never more than 100 degrees.
- Air dry only. Never apply heat to Sunbrella® fabrics.

MAINTENANCE OF CUSHION & UMBRELLA COVERS - Follow these simple steps:

- Umbrella covers should first be removed for cleaning
- Brush off any loose dirt
- Hose down.
- Prepare a cleaning mixture of water and mild, natural soap (no detergents).
- Use a soft bristle brush to clean.
- Allow soap to soak in.
- Rinse thoroughly.
- Air dry.

STUBBORN STAINS - If stubborn stains persist, you can use a diluted chlorine bleach/soap mixture for spot cleaning of mildew, roof run-off and other similar stains. Prepare a special cleaning mixture:

- Four ounces (half cup) of chlorine bleach.
- Two ounces (one-fourth cup) of natural soap.
- One gallon of water.
- Clean with soft bristle brush.
- Allow mixture to soak for up to 20 minutes.
- Rinse thoroughly.
- Air dry.
- Repeat if necessary.

ADDED PROTECTION –Complete the protection process after thorough cleaning:

Re-treating the Fabric

As part of the finishing process, Sunbrella® fabrics are initially treated with a fluorocarbon finish, which enhances water repellency. This finish is designed to last for several years, but must be replenished after a thorough cleaning or approximately five years. We recommend Scotch Guard™ or Vectra™ as the preferred re-treatment product for Sunbrella® fabrics. After cleaning the fabric, allow the fabric to air dry completely and then apply two thin, even coats of Scotch Guard™ or Vectra™ to the fabric. Allow the first coat to completely dry before applying the second coat.