

### **The Care and Cleaning of Aluminum Railing**

Weatherables Aluminum railing are made from high-strength Ultrum™ Alloy with a minimum 35,000 psi, so they are durable and will not rust. Our Powercoat™ is twice the thickness and hardness of typical wet coatings, making it more fade- and scratch-resistant, so the color will stay true. In most cases, a simple spray from a garden hose will suffice in keeping your railing looking good. However, if you desire to do a more thorough cleaning, follow these simple instructions:

1. Use a soft-bristled, long handled washing brush. It attaches to your garden hose and makes washing your aluminum railing easier. Do not rub vigorously as this may create glossy areas over the finish.
2. For hard-to-remove dirt, such as soot and grime found in industrial areas, wipe the railing down with a solution consisting of the following ingredients:
  - a. 1/3 cup powdered detergent (Tide, Fab or equivalent powdered detergent)
  - b. 2/3 cup of household cleaner (Murphy's oil soap, Lysol or equivalent)
  - c. 1 gallon of water
3. If mildew is a problem in your area, prepare the solution above but substitute 1 quart of laundry bleach for 1 quart of water.
4. If you wash down the entire area, start at the bottom and work up to the top, as less streaking will result.
5. It is important that immediately following all washing operations, the entire surface be thoroughly rinsed with fresh water from a garden hose.
6. For best results using this solution, do it on an overcast cool day (55-75 degrees). You want to rinse with water before it dries.

**CAUTION:** Greater concentrations may cause damage to the aluminum railing finish.