

CARING FOR STAINLESS STEEL



To assist in maintaining and extending the life of your new Everhard Stainless Steel sink we have compiled a list of important tips on how we recommend you look after it



DO



ROUTINE

Clean your stainless steel bowl or sink on a regular basis using bicarb soda or stainless steel cleaner. This will improve the look of your stainless steel bowl or sink.



RINSE

After use, rinse your stainless steel bowl or sink thoroughly with clean water to remove any chemicals, iron deposits or acids on the surface.



DRY

Wipe your stainless steel bowl or sink dry using a dry cloth after every use to keep the stainless steel fresh and spot free.



DON'T



ACIDS + CLEANERS

Fruit juice contains citric acid which can mark the stainless steel if left to dry. Cleaning chemicals used around the home can contain chloride which can cause surface rust on the stainless steel bowl or sink if left to dry. Remove all juices and chemicals left on the surface with clean water and dry the surface with a soft cloth.



FUMES

Storing chemicals such as chlorine, bleach or acid based products underneath your stainless steel bowl or sink will cause the surface to rust rapidly due to the fumes attacking the surface. Remove these products and store them in a different area of your home.



SOAKING

Avoid leaving damp sponges or cloths inside the bowl or around the edge of your sink when not in use. Over time this can cause the surface to become pitted if not cleaned properly.

STAINLESS STEEL CARE

Stainless Steel is a common material used in the construction of kitchen sinks and laundry bowls, usually in the form of 304 stainless steel. Everhard kitchen sinks and laundry bowls are manufactured from 18/8 304 Stainless Steel material, which is 18% chromium and 8% nickel. When it comes to stainless steel, there is no such thing as a maintenance free material, therefore the product needs to be cleaned and cared for to avoid attacks to the surface from elements found in the domestic environment.

The most common causes of corrosion encountered in domestic situations are listed below.

- During installation, avoid direct contact with building trade materials, such as Hydrochloric or Muriatic Acid used predominantly to clean tiles or masonry or exposure to the acid vapour.
- Avoid excessive or prolonged direct contact with cleansers containing Chlorine Bleaches or products with a particularly harsh action, such as those used to sterilise and clean nappies. Exposure to vapour is also sufficient to cause staining and spotting of the surface.
- Avoid contact with chlorine. Any chlorine based cleaning agents used to clean the surface and left to dry should be avoided.
- Water left on the surface after use and left to dry naturally over time can create surface rust spots with contamination with cleaning products such as soaps, detergents, food acids etc. The surface should be cleaned with clean water and dried after use to avoid this potential attack to the surface.

We recommend to follow Everhard's Care Guide for Stainless Steel to avoid potential damage to the stainless steel surface.

TIPS ON HOW TO REMOVE RUST SPOTS AND STAINS FROM STAINLESS STEEL

- Clean the surface with clean water and dry the surface with a clean cloth or micro fibre cloth
- Use a stainless steel cleaning agent such as Hillmark Steel Power or Autosol Stainless Steel Polish to remove the surface rust spots and stains.
- Apply the recommended cleaning agent to a cloth and rub it on to the stainless steel surface in a circular motion with some slight pressure.
- If the spots or stains are severe, rub the cleaning agent on the surface to create a film. Leave it on the surface for 1 hour then remove with a clean cloth using a circular motion.
- Once the surface is cleaned with the cleaning agent, use a microfiber cloth to remove any excess cleaning agent on the surface, leaving a clean polished finish.

For more information on this process, visit our product videos on how to clean kitchen sinks and remove rust spots and stains from stainless steel

STAINLESS STEEL CARE VIDEO -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=1&v=Uqb2ZpiDSmA&feature=emb_logo

HOW TO CLEAN A STAINED SINK -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=8&v=mrYw7JSn09U&feature=emb_logo