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uPVC/Composite Maintenance Guide

We have produced a series of maintenance guides to ensure your investment in our products can last for as long as possible. We recommend you read through this guide as soon as possible after your windows/doors have been installed.

uPVC and Composite windows and doors need very minor maintenance but, carrying these few simple tasks out regularly can ensure your windows and doors operate, like new, for a very long time. Whether your new windows/doors are a smooth or woodgrain finish, we recommend you clean the frames of your windows every six months with soap and warm water. A simple wipe over with a cloth is all that is required, please do not use any harsh chemicals or scouring pads. Any stubborn stains can be removed with specific uPVC cleaner if necessary.

One of the biggest causes of problems with water entering through the window is due to the drainage channels getting blocked. We recommend you clear these every six months. The best way to do this is to slide a cable tie, both ways, in to the slots towards the front of the frame. This will ensure there is no build up of debris and keep your window clear of a water build up.

Anything that moves on a window will need to be periodically lubricated to ensure it continues to move freely. This is not normally relevant for handles as they are operating the locking mechanisms. On windows you will need to lubricate the friction stays and locking mechanisms but please ensure you do not apply lubricant to the friction pads as this will cause detriment to their braking action. The resistance of the pads can be adjusted, if necessary, using the screws on each pad. Any lubricant used must be silicone based, anything else will cause damage to the hardware.

As above, but with doors, you will need to periodically lubricate the locking mechanism and hinges to ensure they operate smoothly on a regular basis.

