



TCFFA's mission is to promote the sale and proper use of quality-made fabrics in the casual furniture industry.

- Member companies strive for continuous improvement in the quality of production and maintenance of casual furniture fabrics.
- Member companies establish and maintain minimum performance standards acceptable for particular categories of fabrics.
- Member companies accept the responsibility of sound and ethical business practices as the collective aim of the association.

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General Cleaning Instructions for Casual Furniture Fabrics

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General care instructions: The life of your casual furniture fabric largely depends on its care and use. To refresh your outdoor fabrics, periodically hose down with water. Thoroughly clean your casual furniture seasonally and spot clean when necessary. Certain suntan and sun block products may permanently discolor any fabric. Clean spots promptly. Do not use chlorine bleach unless specifically listed as suitable for use on the fabric. For all cleaning methods, test a sample area prior to full cleaning to insure against discoloration or permanent damage to the fabric.

Fabric Type	General Cleaning	Stubborn Stains			
PVC yarn coated poly-ester	Use warm water and liquid dishwashing or laundry detergent. Air dry thoroughly.	Suntan lotion, oils and grease: Rub with rubbing alcohol. Rinse with water.	Mildew: Wash with liquid detergent, warm water and chlorine bleach. Rinse with water.	Beer and coffee: Wash with liquid detergent, warm water and white vinegar. Rinse with water.	Juices, wine, and blood: Wash with liquid detergent, warm water and ammonia or hydrogen peroxide. Rinse with water.
100% Vinyl	Use warm water and mild detergent.	Wash with warm water and mild detergent. Rub briskly with rough cloth or soft bristle brush.		Do not use chlorine bleach, harsh detergents, or stiff bristle brushes. Dry-cleaning chemicals in commercial spot removers may cause hardening of vinyl.	
Woven polyester with 100% PVC coating	Use warm water and liquid dishwashing or laundry detergent. Air dry thoroughly.	Treat stains with nonabrasive household cleaners, rubbing alcohol or chlorine bleach. Rinse with water. Air dry in bright sun.			
Printed 100% acrylic	Use warm water and mild liquid detergent. Rinse thoroughly. Air dry. Do not use chlorine bleach, harsh detergents, or abrasives on prints.	Saturate stain with warm water and mild liquid detergent. Rub gently with cloth or soft bristle brush. Rinse with water. Air dry in bright sun.		Do not use chlorine bleach, harsh detergents, or abrasives on printed fabrics.	
Printed or piece-dyed woven 100% polyester	Use warm water and mild liquid detergent. Rub gently with soft bristle brush. Rinse with water. Air dry. Do not use chlorine bleach, harsh detergents, or abrasives.	Treat stains promptly with solution of 1/4 cup mild liquid detergent to one gallon warm water. Flush stain liberally with detergent solution. Rub gently with cloth or soft bristle brush. Rinse with water. Air dry.		Do not use chlorine bleach, harsh detergents, or abrasives on printed fabrics. For blood stains, spot clean with protein or enzyme cleaner or laundry detergent containing enzyme cleaner.	
Solution-dyed acrylic (solids, textures, stripes)	Use warm water and mild detergent. Rinse with water. Air dry.	Suntan lotion, oils and grease: Use a fabric spot remover, following instructions. Test first on inconspicuous area. Rinse thoroughly with water. Air dry.		Mildew: Make solution of 1 cup chlorine bleach, 4 tablespoons liquid mild detergent, and 1 gallon cold water. Spray over entire area and allow to soak. Scrub vigorously with sponge, if needed. Rinse with water. Air dry.	
Umbrella covers, cushion covers, and accessories made of solution-dyed acrylic	Machine wash in cold water with mild detergent. Dry flat. Do not tumble dry.	Spot clean like solution-dyed acrylic instructions above. Machine wash in cold water with mild detergent. Dry flat or on umbrella frame. Do not tumble dry.		Mildew: Make solution of 1 cup chlorine bleach, 4 tablespoons liquid mild detergent, and 1 gallon cold water. Spray over entire area and allow to soak. Scrub vigorously with sponge, if needed. Rinse with water. Air dry.	
PVC/acrylic blends	Use warm water and mild detergent. Rinse thoroughly. Air dry. Do not use pine-oil cleaners.	Suntan lotion, oils and grease: Use solution recommended by manufacturer. Sponge thoroughly. Rinse with water. Do not use pine-oil cleaners or harsh abrasives.		Mildew: Wash with liquid detergent, warm water and chlorine bleach. Rinse thoroughly with water.	
Olefin or PVC/Olefin blends	Use warm water and mild detergent. Rinse with water. Air dry.	Suntan lotion, oils and grease: Apply a volatile paint remover, dry-cleaning solution or 100% mineral spirits to stain. Rub lightly with soft cloth. Rinse thoroughly with water. Air dry.	Mildew: Wash with hot water and liquid detergent. Do not use chlorine bleach. Non-chlorine bleach may be used. Scrub with soft-bristle brush if needed. Flush with clean water. Dry in bright sun.	Beer and coffee: Treat stain with hot water and mild detergent. Rinse thoroughly with water. A laundry pre-wash may be used on stubborn stains. Leave on for 10 minutes and remove with hot water and detergent solution. Rinse thoroughly.	Juices, wine, and blood: Apply protein or enzyme spotter. Laundry detergent containing enzymes will also work. Rinse thoroughly with water.