# Maintenance Guidelines 8362 Cottage

# **DesignTex**

Finish None

Cleaning Water-based/Solvent (WS), Bleach (10:1)

### Regular Maintenance

For the aesthetic and performance longevity of our products,
Designtex recommends following regular maintenance practices.
Maintenance is routine, ongoing care which reduces soil build-up on a material's surface. Lightly brush to thoroughly remove air-borne dust and lint. Clean periodically to remove accumulated grime and retain the material's original appearance as much as possible.

#### Stain Treatment

Promptly treat spots and stains to eliminate any possible reaction between the staining agent and the wallcovering. Time is especially important for removing materials containing colors and/or solvents such as ballpoint ink, lipstick, oil, shampoo. If soil remains on the surface for too long, permanent discoloration may develop. Ordinary dirt can be removed with mild soap, warm water and a soft bristle brush. For stubborn stains, use an approved cleaner, following the cleaning instructions provided below. Do not use steel wool or abrasive sponges, as they may dull or scratch the surface.

#### **Cleaning Instructions**

- → Always pretest a small, inconspicuous area with cleaning agents.
- → Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for use of cleaning products (i.e. concentration, application method, contact time, use of PPE).
- $\,\rightarrow\,$  Wipe with the seams, from the bottom of the wall upward.
- → Do not oversaturate the material; use small amounts of cleaning solution at a time and blot between applications. Liquids should never be pressed through the material and care should be taken to not let liquids pool at the seams.

## **Disinfecting Instructions**

- → Prior to disinfection, it is important to ensure that the surface area is clean and dry.
- → Confirm disinfectant compatibility.¹
- → Always pretest a small, inconspicuous area with disinfecting agents.
- → Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for use of disinfection products (i.e. concentration, application method, contact time, use of PPE).
- → Wipe with the seams, from the bottom of the wall upward.
- → Do not oversaturate the material; make sure the disinfectant is applied uniformly to the entire surface. Liquids should never be pressed through the material and care should be taken to not let liquids pools a the seams.

As a final step to cleaning or disinfecting, surface MUST be wiped with a clean, water dampened cloth to avoid residue and build-up. Do not over-wet. Wipe Dry.

Note: The information in this guide refers to the performance of these materials in tests conducted under laboratory conditions. This information is not guaranteed and does not relieve the user from the proper and safe use of referenced disinfecting agents. Due to the variables involved in the use of cleaning and disinfection products (including amount of product applied, elapsed time before removal from the surface, physical action used to remove the cleaner/disinfectant, and the number of applications), strict adherence to the cleaning and disinfecting instructions is necessary.

<sup>1</sup> An up-to-date list of approved disinfectants can be found on each product specification page. This list represents the most common disinfectants. For additional information on disinfectant compatibility or general maintenance, please contact Product Services at productservices@designtex.com.

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