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CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE



ARTE FORM BRASSWARE CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

General care for all fittings

- ✓ Dry with a soft cloth after each use. Drops of water, if left to dry out, can lead to limescale build up that can be difficult to remove later.
- ✓ Clean regularly with warm water and a neutral pH detergent, then dry with a clean, soft, lint free cloth.
- ✓ Residue from products such as toothpaste, shower gel and hair treatments should always be rinsed off products to prevent blemishes forming.
- ✓ If limescale has formed, it can be removed using a 50/50 solution of warm water and lemon juice or vinegar. Apply the solution to some cotton wool and wrap around the area for a maximum of 1 hour. Ensure the area is rinsed thoroughly and dried with a soft cloth. For heavy limescale deposits this process can be repeated, but the area must be rinsed thoroughly between applications to prevent acid build-up.

What not to do

- ✗ Do not use harsh detergents containing acidic, caustic or abrasive chemicals such as bleach, ammonia, alcohol or acetone.
- ✗ Do not use abrasive cloths, pads, sponges or steel wool as they can cause permanent damage to the surface.
- ✗ To avoid the transfer of dyes or patterns from wet cloths do not hang on the product or leave in prolonged contact with the surface.
- ✗ Cleaning chemical residue contained in the cloth can cause damage to the surface, ensure all cloths are thoroughly rinsed before use.



SPECIAL FINISHES

In addition to the general care guidelines there are specific care instructions for the special finishes that we offer in certain ranges.

Brushed Nickel will react to the environment and change over time, the original finish can be restored using a mild metal polish such as Autosol.

Polished and Brushed Brass are known as 'living finishes' the raw brass is un-lacquered and over time it will develop a rich patina which is individual to each piece. The original finish can be restored by following these guidelines:

- **Polished Brass** can be lightly polished with a suitable metal polish such as Brasso.
- **Brushed Brass** can be lightly rubbed, following the original grain, with a fine Scotch Brite pad.

Brushed Stainless Steel is a very durable material with a high resistance to damage, small marks can normally be removed by lightly rubbing, following the original grain, with a fine Scotch Brite pad.

Matt Black is an extremely hardwearing finish, but extra care should be taken that no abrasive cleaning products are used, as this can permanently damage the painted surface of the product.

SHOWERING

Shower handsets and fixed heads should be used at least once a week to prevent the build up of limescale. If limescale deposits have formed, they can be easily removed by rubbing the silicon nozzles to break up any deposits and rinsing clear. Failure to remove limescale leads to pressure build up within the showerhead, this pressure build up can lead to the internal seals failing.

In hardwater areas regular removal and de-scaling of thermostatic cartridges will be required to maintain the correct operation of these items.

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