

NOVELIS Coil anodised J73A® Cleaning guidelines

To protect the aesthetics of the anodised facade it is necessary to clean it regularly. The cleaning of J73A facades shall be carried out by RAL-certified or other professional specialist companies.

PH-neutral cleaners for anodised surfaces without abrasive properties shall be used. For the removal of sticky contaminants a neutral abrasive cleaner can be used. However, this should be tested on a non-exposed surface before general use. Steam/pressure cleaners are not suitable. Always clean the total visible surface in one cleaning step.

The cleaning detergent shall be applied evenly in a thin layer with a fibre free cloth or sponge. Severe rubbing must be avoided and cleaning should be concluded within a short period to avoid the detergent drying out on the surface (spotting).

Any oily/greasy or sooty substances can be removed with a cleaning solvent (benzine) or isopropanol. Residues of adhesives can be removed by the same method.

After any cleaning a rinsing step with tap water shall take place.

A list of approved cleaners for anodised surfaces is available via the GDA (Gesamtverband der Aluminium-industrie e.V.) or the GRM (RAL Deutsches Institut für Gütesicherung und Kennzeichnung e.V.).



Cleaning recommendations according to RAL-GZ 632 (GRM), of the Aluminium Bulletin A5 of the GDA, "Cleaning of Aluminium for Building Applications" and also the advises of the American Architectural Manufacturer's Association, USA, (AAMA 610-1979 Cleaning Producers) shall be followed.

The supplier shall accept the warranty for decorative surfaces of J73A facades provided that the surfaces are cleaned at suitable, regular intervals according to these Cleaning Guidelines by a professional cleaning company. Such cleaning must be documented.

These recommendations reflect the generally accepted technical rules. This shall not exempt customers from using professional cleaning companies. Suppliers shall not be liable for inexpert use of these guidelines.

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