Hurricane and Security Screens Maintenance and Care



Your QMI Hurricane and Security Screen should be cleaned periodically to extend the life and aesthetics of the product.

QMI Hurricane and Security screens are manufactured of highly corrosion-resistant stainless-steel mesh. However, all mesh types can act as a filter that traps dust, dirt, and airborne particles. These visual obstructions to the stainless-steel mesh can lead to corrosion or staining of the mesh and aluminum powder coated finishes. Mesh coating stains caused by a combination of salt, moisture and airborne impurities may appear as reddish marks (common airborne impurities) or white marks (salt build up).

By eliminating dust and screen contaminants, you can keep your screens looking and performing at their best.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Using a mild detergent soap, warm water, and a soft, non-abrasive brush, clean the mesh and frame surfaces. Rinse completely with clean water, and finish with a soft-cloth or shammy wipe down to eliminate any excess water from the mesh, frame, and hardware.

DO NOT USE any abrasive materials on the mesh or screen frame. Never use solvent-based cleaners, bleach or chlorine on the stainless mesh as damage may occur.

For egress screens, clean all elements as outlined above. Once hinges and hardware mechanisms are wiped down and dried, apply a silicone-based spray lubricant to the hinge areas. Blaster silicone spray lubricant or similar is recommended.

DO NOT USE oil-based or WD-40 lubricants as they will accumulate dust, dirt, and sand.

In Non-Coastal Regions, QMI Hurricane and Security Screens should be cleaned every 6 months. Egress screen hinges and hardware should be cleaned and lubricated on the same interval.

COASTAL WARRANTY REQUIREMENTS

Coastal Area / Region is defined as 10 miles or less from beachfront or sheltered saltwater bay.

In Coastal Regions, screens must be cleaned every 2 to 3 months and operated (if egress) to ensure ongoing quality performance.

Within Coastal Regions, Active Marine Areas can provide even more aggressive environmental conditions for your screens. In these Active Marine Areas (less than ½ mile from beachfront or ¼ mile from a sheltered saltwater bay), your screens must be <u>cleaned every 2 to 4 weeks</u> to ensure ongoing quality performance.

ASK YOUR LOCAL QMI DEALER ABOUT SEASONAL CLEANING SERVICES

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