

# The care and cleaning of PVC laminated fabrics from Carr Group

#### **General Directives**

Attention must be given to the characteristics of any other materials that may be combined with CARRFLEX® PVC in the final product (e.g. dimensional stability, colour fastness, washing instructions).

Some surface wrinkling may result from cleaning procedures. This has no adverse effect on CARRFLEX® PVC properties.

Abrasive cleaning agents should not be used.

Additionally, due to the range of cleaning equipment and conditions being used, customers should ascertain that any CARRLEX® PVC fabric does perform as expected, in any given situation.

If customers have their own particular cleaning methods that must be used and that are not covered in this article, they should consult Carr Australia Pty Ltd for further direction.

#### **Washing and Disinfection**

CARRFLEX® PVC needs to be treated with care when cleaning the surface. Many industrial cleaning agents are extremely harsh on the coating and can cause it to break down, decreasing the life of the PVC. The normal cleaning instructions are to wipe the surface clean with a soft sponge or cloth with warm soapy water. Mix with a mild concentration of detergent (1:20) or phenolic based commercial cleaner in warm water.

CARRFLEX® PVC can be washed in warm soapy water at up to 40°C.

Do not use detergents containing solvent, peroxides or bleaches on CARRFLEX® PVC without consultation with Carr.

For disinfection use a water/bleach solution of 10:1. Ensure the bleach does not have a sodium hypochlorite level higher than 5%.

After applying detergent/disinfectant remove any residue with a clean, soft cloth and rinse with fresh warm water immediately after use.

Do not excessively rub or scrub and do not use abrasive implements to clean as these may damage the surface of the fabric.

CARRFLEX® PVC is not able to be autoclaved.

Do not dry-clean CARRFLEX® PVC.

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### Drying

- Do not tumble dry CARRFLEX® PVC.
- Do not mangle.

## Ironing

• Do not iron CARRFLEX® PVC.

### Storage

• Store in a cool dry area. Avoid excessive pressure and contact with non-colourfast materials.

NB: Please consider other materials used in the cover construction as different conditions for cleaning will apply.

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