

## Digger Specialties, Inc. Aluminum Fence & Railing Care and Cleaning Requirements

Digger Specialties, Inc.'s Aluminum Fence and Railing adds beauty, distinction, and a lasting value to your home. Your homes exterior requires cleaning and Digger Specialties Aluminum Fence and Railing is no different. Over time, with exposure to outdoor elements, your fence or railing will show signs of normal weathering such as a slight loss of gloss and a slight color change. Cleaning your Aluminum Fence or Railing is the best way to protect your investment by minimizing the effects of weathering as well as removing dirt, grime, and other substances detrimental to the appearance of your fence or railing.

Some geographic locations offer unique environmental exposure issues that require specific cleaning schedules. To insure your investment lasts a lifetime please adhere to the below cleaning requirements for your Digger Specialties Aluminum Fence or Railing. Disregarding the following cleaning requirements will void the Digger Specialties, Inc. warranty. For the purpose of warranty claims you are required to keep a cleaning log (log attached) of the cleaning date, method used, and chemical/cleaner used.

- 1. For Fence or Railing located within 1,500 feet of a body of salt or brackish water or in areas influenced by other airborne contaminants cleaning is required every three months.
- 2. For Fence or Railing located more than 1,500 feet from a body of salt or brackish water or in areas influenced by other airborne contaminants cleaning is required every six months.

## **Hand Washing Instructions**

- 1. Wet the Digger Specialties, Inc. Aluminum Fence or Railing with a garden hose
- 2. Hand wash all surfaces with a sponge or soft cloth using a mild detergent (see recommendations below)
- 3. For best results start at the top of the fence or railing and work downward
- 4. Thoroughly rinse the fence or railing to remove all residues. Water with a high solids or mineral content may leave spots for areas with these issues we recommend drying the fence or railing with a soft white cloth.

## **Pressure Washing Instructions**

- 1. A detergent additive is suggested (see recommendations below)
- 2. Do not exceed 1,000 PSI and keep nozzle tip at least 18" from your fence or railing
- 3. Wash all exposed surfaces
- 4. Rinse thoroughly, if detergent is added to pressure washer. In areas where water may have a high solids or mineral content we recommend drying with a soft white cloth to avoid spots.

## **Detergent Requirements**

General purpose household soaps and detergents are acceptable. Do not use any type of soap or detergent that recommends gloves or respirators for personal protection. Do not use a soap or detergent that could damage a painted finish.

A Digger Specialties, Inc. Aluminum Fence or Railing Maintenance Log (use attached schedule) is required to be maintained for all aluminum products. Disregarding this cleaning schedule will void the Digger Specialties, Inc. warranty.