



## Cleaning KYDEX® Thermoplastic Sheet

For information applicable to KYDEX® FST please refer to 300 series technical briefs.

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### In-Use Spot Cleaning

Tough marks or stains due to spills, graffiti, heel marks, etc., usually require cleaners such as "DWR-II," "Zep," "Write Away" and Valspar's "Goof-Off" provide good results when trying to remove graffiti marks. These are specialized spot cleaners that should be used for small areas only. A short stiff bristled brush may be necessary to remove some stains from the textured surface. These cleaners should also be rinsed thoroughly with clean water. Some heel marks or abrasions from rubber bumpers on carts may be removed simply by brushing without a cleaner.

For More Information on In-Use Spot Cleaners:

Product and Manufacturer	On the Web	In US Call
"Goof-Off Professional" by Valspar	<a href="http://www.goof-off.com">www.goof-off.com</a>	800.345.4530
"Goof-Off Graffiti Remover"	<a href="http://www.goof-off.com">www.goof-off.com</a>	800.345.4530
"DWR-II" by Chemique	<a href="http://www.chemique.com">www.chemique.com</a>	800.225.4161
"Write Away" by Zep	<a href="http://www.zepmfg.com">www.zepmfg.com</a>	877.428.9937
"Goo-Gone" Spray Gel	<a href="http://www.GooGone.com">www.GooGone.com</a>	800.328.9248

\*See In-House test results below

### Previous Cleaning Residue

Frequently, previous cleaning residue takes a long time to become noticeable. At other times it will be evident as soon as the wall surface dries. The residue is usually an organic substance that is trapped in the recessed areas of the KYDEX sheet pattern. It is necessary to use special cleaners such as "Johnson Wax Step Off" (web: [www.scjohnsonwax.com/](http://www.scjohnsonwax.com/)) to remove this residue. The problem areas are scrubbed with the "Johnson Wax Step Off" and a stiff bristle brush, then rinsed with clean water.

#### Not Recommended:

Meguiar's Heavy Duty Carpet & Interior Cleaner:

- This cleaner will stain KYDEX® 6185, KYDEX® 6565, and KYDEX® 1900 at slightly elevated temperatures 38°C to 49°C (100°F to 120°F). Even invisible trace residue once heated will leave a brown stain.

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### In-House Test Results

	ArmorAll <sup>1</sup>		Goof-Off Professional <sup>2</sup>		Goof-Off Graffiti Remover <sup>3</sup>		Goo-Gone Spray Gel <sup>4</sup>		Fantastik Orange Action <sup>5</sup>	
	Smooth	P1 Deep	Smooth	P1 Deep	Smooth	P1 Deep	Smooth	P1 Deep	Smooth	P1 Deep
Pen Ink	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Very Faded	Very Faded	Faded	No
Marker	Faded	No	Yes	Visible	Yes	Yes	Very Faded	No	Faded	No
Crayon	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Spray Paint	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Some	No	No	No

1. ArmorAll: Ok for general cleaning. Leaves a glossy, slick surface. Helps to reduce static build up.
2. Goof-Off Professional: Works well on Graffiti but did not completely remove marker on the deeper texture. Leaves a slightly dull surface but barely visible.
3. Goof-Off Graffiti Remover: Formulated with plastics in mind. Worked slightly better than Goof-Off Professional. Comes in a convenient spray can too. Leaves a slightly dull surface but barely visible.
4. Goo Gone (Spray Gel): Does not work as well as graffiti removers. Works best on sticker residue and waxy substances. The thick, pleasant smelling cleaner clings easily to vertical surfaces. Leaves a glossy, slick surface. Helps to reduce static build up.
5. Fantastik Orange Action: Ok for general cleaning. Leaves a glossy, slick surface. Helps to reduce static build up.

*Note: To remove graffiti from deeper textures a bristle brush must be used. Several applications were necessary too. A soft bristle brush would be best because excess scrubbing could flatten, or dull the surface texture.*

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