

# MAXIMO LOUVRE ROOF & PERGOLA CARE & MAINTENANCE



MAXIMO Louvre Roofs and Pergolas are manufactured from low maintenance, weather resistant aluminium which offers years of use and visual appeal. This simple maintenance programme is to preserve the longevity and good looks of your louvre roof or pergola and to fulfil your warranty requirements.

## **MAINTENANCE:**

MAXIMO Outdoor Living systems require regular cleaning to overcome the effects of environmental damage such as pollution, ultraviolet light and salt deposits. Regular visual inspection (every few months) will help identify any issues, which can be addressed before becoming serious. Cleaning should take place every six months in a normal environment and every three months in more harsh environments, such as seaside or industrial areas. The drop-down awnings are not designed to support the load of water pooling on the fabric or excessive windy conditions. Please ensure the awning is retracted to protect it during heavy rain or windy periods. Any damage caused by these conditions is not covered by the warranty.

## **CLEANING ALUMINIUM**

In general, anodised or powder coated aluminium, in urban areas, should be cleaned every three months and in rural areas every six months. In industrial and marine environments (within 1km of the sea), monthly cold water washing as well as six monthly washes with warm water & detergent is necessary.

- 1 - Carefully remove any loose deposits with a wet sponge.
- 2 - Wash down using a nonabrasive soft brush and a mild household detergent solution to remove dust, salt, dirt and other deposits.
- 3 - Anodised finishes with greasy deposits or hard to remove grime, should be cleaned with a soft cloth dipped in white spirit, turpentine or kerosene, then wiped with a dry rag.
- 4 - Rinse off with plenty of clean fresh water.

## **CLEANING DROP DOWN SCREENS**

- 1 - Brush off any loose dirt (which can lead to the formation of mildew).
- 2 - Clean your awning fabric with a mild neutral detergent and a soft cloth, or if necessary, use a soft bristle brush.
- 3 - For localised stains clean with a neutral detergent mixed with lukewarm water (maximum 38C).
- 4 - Rinse with clean water.

If material is regularly exposed to damp conditions, extra cleaning is recommended.

DO leave the drop-down awning fabric to dry completely before it is rolled up.

DO remove obvious deposits as they occur.

DO NOT use solvents or harsh detergents on any parts of the MAXIMO outdoor living system.

DO NOT use abrasive steel wool, scrapers, scouring liquids or powders to remove paint splashes - these will damage your anodised/powder coating.

DO NOT use aggressive solvents, thinners, petrol etc, on powder coating as these solvents will attack gloss levels and reduce its life expectancy.

DO NOT let any solvents used on anodised finishes come into contact with any rubber components as they can degrade them.

DO NOT expose your anodised/powder coatings to excessive heat, heaters or hot air guns - these may damage the coating.