

## **Metal Shield Care & Maintenance**

Congratulations on protecting your investment. We at Graffiti Shield are committed to protecting you from graffiti and wear and tear. And in doing so, we would like to point out some care and maintenance to your newly installed Metal Shield film.

# Film Dry-Out Time

During the installation process our fully trained installers have removed as much mounting solution as possible, although a small amount will remain. Trapped installation moisture can cause small water bubbles and /or a slightly cloudy look. This is normal and should be expected. Please do not attempt to pierce any water bubbles during the dry-out period. Water bubbles will eventually dissipate.

### **Climate Conditions & Dry-Out Time**

Cold and non-sunny weather conditions can lengthen the dry-out time. Warm weather and direct sun light exposure will shorten the dry-out time. If slow drying occurs, do not be alarmed. The trapped moisture will dry-out completely. Thicker films will always have a longer dry-out period due to the increased thickness of the film. Dry-out times can vary from a few days to as long as 60 days depending on film selected, and climate condition.

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To obtain maximum life from your new window film, the following instructions should be followed:

#### Cleaning

Please do not clean your surface for approximately 5 days after installation. This will help secure proper curing of the special mounting adhesive to the surface.

#### Cleaning Solutions

Most glass cleaners will work well although we recommend a foaming spray glass cleaner. This type of cleaner can be purchased thru Graffiti Shield or most retail outlets. Orange Glo also works well in maintaining a shiny look. This too can be purchased at most retailers.

## Cleaning Materials

Always use fresh clean and soft materials to wash and dry your Metal Shield surfaces. A soft cloth or a clean and synthetic sponge is recommended for washing the Metal Shield followed by another clean soft cloth or soft rubber squeegee for drying. To avoid scratching the film, do not use bristle brushes, abrasive scrubbing sponges or any cleaning materials that may have been contaminated with dirt particles, as is commonly the case when washing interior and exterior surfaces with the same cleaning materials. Some brands of paper towels are course enough to put fine scratches in the film, even our films with a protective hard coat finish. While these scratches may be too thin to be seen at the beginning, they can damage the polished look of the film over time, and <u>is not</u> covered by our warranty.