

Care & Maintenance

Electroplated Finishes

UNLACQUERED (OILED/ WAXED) FINISHES

Aged brass & Aged copper finishes which are left unlacquered are treated with an oiled/ waxed finish. This finish is designed to age naturally as real brass or copper will - tarnishing, dullening over time and gradually becoming darker. To maintain this finish, apply any oil to a soft cloth and wipe over. Remove any excess oil to prevent tackiness to the touch. Avoid any harsh abrasives, acids, alcohol & vinegar's.

Brushed Coppers and Brushed brasses, which are specified unlacquered are treated with a Beeswax. This offers protection while handling, freight & installation. To prevent irregular staining, we recommend removal of dust, salt and pollution with mild detergent/ soaps and maintained with wax or oil to bring back lustre and consistency.

Pearl Black Nickel unlacquered, is finishes with a lanolin or penetrating oil. This is a soft finish and as such with wear & tear will remove the blackening and reveal the silver nickel underneath. Regular oiling (lightly oiled soft cloth) will even out the finish, disguising stains and spills.

HANDLING OF OILED FINISHES DURING INSTALLATION

Immediately after aging, the finish is soft and likely to be less robust. Overtime the oil settles and absorbs into the brass plating, as does the aging chemical - when the finish will then become more stable. Until this time, handle with care, package with blankets to prevent rubbing, and after installation, rub over lightly with a lightly oiled soft cloth to remove fingerprints. Do not leave in plastic packaging as will sweat causing accelerated & inconsistent tarnishing

Before



After



HOW TO FIX THE OXIDISING & DISCOLOURING

A possible solution to fix this is to rub it back very lightly with scotch brite and soapy water, this should take the black away.

Please ensure you use a no metal scotch brite, then rub over lightly with a lightly oiled soft cloth, any type of oil is fine - it could be a cooking oil or car engine oil. Brasso is also good for cleaning up brushed brass grates.

If you have any questions please contact our customer service team on 1300 653 403, or email info@stormtech.com.au