#### **CARE GUIDE AQ**

For fabrics with Aquaclean® & SAFE FRONT® technology



# AQUACLEAN® TECHNOLOGY ADVANCED FABRIC PROTECTION

**Aquaclean**® sets the standard in easy care fabrics for hospitality. By cleaning with 'just water' we see **Aquaclean**® fabrics consistently outperform third party treatments in the most severe contract, hospitality and cruise ship environments making it an established leader in easy care upholstery by taking fabric 'protection' to the next level.

Unlike traditional liquid/oil repellent treatments, which are added to the fabric after weaving and less effective once the stain has penetrated the fabric, **Aquaclean**<sup>®</sup> covers every single fibre which not only repels the stain but also ensures that dirt and stains can be removed simply by applying water.

#### ANTIBACTERIAL & STAIN RESISTANT WITH AQUACLEAN® & SAFE FRONT®

All Aquaclean® qualities incorporate SAFE FRONT® as standard to give protection against bacteria, viruses and mites. It is a totally ecological and harmless method of effectively reducing the activity of these microbes and has been certified to ISO 20743:2013 8.1, reducing bacterial activity by 99.99% after 24 hours, and ISO 18184:2019, demonstrating 91% effectiveness against feline coronavirus.

The joint formula of Aquaclean<sup>®</sup> and SAFE FRONT<sup>®</sup> offer a double guarantee of hygiene helping your furniture stay clean and safe. (Safe Front standard on all production from June 2020, some current stocks may not include this finish so if required please request when ordering/specifying).

## **CLEANING WITH JUST WATER** AND GENERAL RULES TO FOLLOW

Aquaclean® and SAFE FRONT® protects fabric from even the toughest stains, simply clean with water.

- Remove any excess residue on the fabric and apply clean water over the stain, either directly or using a damp cloth.
- Wait a few seconds then press down over the stain with the clean damp cloth and rub gently over the fabric using circular movements. Repeat the process as required.
- It's important to regularly vacuum the upholstery with a soft brush attachment to keep the fabric in the best condition.
- For spot cleaning tough dried in stains use water with a little neutral liquid soap (max 5% solution), repeat if necessary.
- Protect from excessive sunlight and avoid contact with strong heat.
- Do not use bleach, strong chemicals, toxic substances, acids or solvents.
- Clean up spills and stains right away, the longer stains are allowed to remain the more difficult they are to remove.
- Strong or neat alcohol if not cleaned immediately may cause damage to the fabric.
- Do not soak or over wet the fabric as this may cause further staining and damage.
- After cleaning allow to completely dry before use and then gently brush with a soft brush in the direction of the pile.
- When dealing with any stain it is important to always test an inconspicuous area of the fabric first to ensure the treatment will not cause permanent damage. If in any doubt specialist upholstery cleaning advise should be obtained.

### DEEP CLEANING RECOMMENDED DISINFECTING CLEANING

**Aquaclean**<sup>®</sup> includes SAFE FRONT<sup>®</sup> which is effective in reducing the build-up and activity of viruses, however if disinfection cleaning is required the following is recommended:

- Spray a 70% alcohol solution on the fabric surface about 30cm away. Any sanitary alcohol can be used. Wipe over with a dry cloth and remove any excess. Do not soak the fabric and avoid rubbing the surface in an aggresive way.
- Antibacterial wipes and sprays suitable for upholstery can be used following manufacturers guidelines.
- The use of bleach and soap solutions is not recommended. Soap can leave residues causing discolouration and odour.

IMPORTANT. Although this fabric will resist most types of staining under normal contract conditions it does require regular care as described. Spills that are allowed to remain on the fabric for long periods of time can cause damage and in rare cases may not be completely removed. **Aquaclean** drastically reduces the chances of fabric staining although we are unable to garantee against all types of staining and marking and accept that there may be environments where its use is not suitable and non upholstered furniture would be more appropriate. In these instances we cannot be held responsible for the performance of the fabric. We do not recommend and take no responsibility for the performance of the fabric when used for piping. Our 'limitation of liability' as detailed on our price list applies.









