



Solar Control, Safety and Security Window Films Tech Bulletin

# Metal Shield & Mirror Shield Care and Maintenance Instructions

Congratulations on the installation of Solar Gard's Metal Shield or Mirror Shield product(s). There was a specific reason for you to select this type of product and the proper care and maintenance of your investment is critical to the longevity of the film.

## FILM DRY-OUT TIME

During the film installation, your Dealer/Installer will remove as much of the installation solution as possible, but a small amount will still remain. This may result in small water bubbles appearing and/ or a slightly cloudy view. This is normal and should be expected. Do not pierce the water bubbles during this drying period. This damage to the film will not be covered by the warranty. The water bubbles and cloudy view will disappear over time.

Film type and climate conditions will determine the drying time you experience. Warm weather and direct sunlight will shorten the drying time, while cooler climates, cloudy conditions and thicker films may prolong it. Drying may vary from a few days to 6 months. The trapped moisture will dry out completely.

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

Please do not clean the surface for a minimum of 5 days post installation. This will allow the specialized mounting adhesive to properly bond to the surface.

One of the keys to the longevity of your film is good regular maintenance. Without regular maintenance, dirt can build-up and require the use of harmful chemicals that may damage the surface of the film over a long period of time.

## CLEANING SOLUTIONS

Most glass cleaners will work well although we recommend a foaming spray glass cleaner. This type of cleaner can be purchased through most retail outlets.

Always use fresh clean and soft materials such as microfiber towels to wash and dry your Metal Shield & Mirror Shield surfaces. A soft cloth is recommended for washing the film surface 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 coarse 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 initially, they can damage the polished look of the film over time, and is not covered by our warranty.

**PROVIDE THIS DOCUMENT TO ANY PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES USED.**

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