

# Vertical & Mini Blinds Guide to Care & Maintenance



## Vinyl Louvers

- > Clean with a damp cloth.
- > If a thin film of mild detergent is left on louvers, it will eliminate static electricity.
- > DO NOT SCRUB with any abrasive sponges or cleanser type products, as scratching of the louvers may result.

## Fabric Louvers

- > Vacuum periodically.
- > For soiled fabrics, we recommend a gradual progression:
  1. Before rubbing or scrubbing, try to gently pick or scrape the stain/soil off the fabric.
  2. Gently scrub with warm water.
  3. Gently scrub with warm water and a mild detergent (such as dishwashing liquid).
- > Please note: On all traversing vertical blinds, louvers MUST BE IN FULL OPEN POSITION before traversing. On all corded blinds, always use both hands when pulling chain or cord, one hand on each strand.
- > If you are unable to clean your blinds to your satisfaction, please consult a professional blind cleaning company.



## 2" Wood Blinds

- > Since your custom wood blinds are made from real wood, care must be taken in cleaning them.
- > Washing wood blinds is NOT recommended. Although the wood is sealed, water or even excessive dampness may cause warpage or discoloration of the slats.
- > Dust can easily be brushed off at regular intervals using a clean, soft dust cloth or a vacuum brush attachment.
  - To Dust: Use a soft, clean cloth and tilt the slats up and then down (but not entirely closed) to reach the entire top and bottom surfaces.
  - To Vacuum: Use the brush attachment and tilt slats.
- > Due to Natural differences in grain & texture, slight color variation may occur from wood to wood.
- > Areas of humidity may cause warpage from slat to slat. These are all characteristics of wood and should not be considered a defect.
- > Never expose your wood blinds to excessive moisture - such as leaving windows open when it is damp or raining outside or when sprinklers might be on.
- > DO NOT SCRUB with any abrasive sponges or cleanser type products, as scratching of the slats may result. If you are unable to clean your blinds to your satisfaction, please consult a professional blind cleaning company.

## 2" Horizontal Vinyl Blinds & Faux-Wood Blinds

- > Dust can easily be brushed off at regular intervals using a clean damp cloth, water, and wipe clean.
- > If needed, more severe soiling can be removed by using a soft cloth and mixture of mild detergent (such as dishwashing liquid soap) & water.
  - To Dust: Use a soft, clean cloth and tilt the slats up and then down (but not entirely closed) to reach the entire top and bottom surfaces of each slat.
  - To Vacuum: Use the brush dust head attachment and tilt slats.
- > Areas of humidity may cause warpage from slat to slat. These are all characteristics of vinyl and should not be considered a defect.
- > DO NOT SCRUB with any abrasive sponges or cleanser type products, as scratching of the slats may result.
- > If you are unable to clean your blinds to your satisfaction, please consult a professional blind cleaning company.

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## 1" Horizontal Aluminum (Mini Blinds)

- > Occasional light vacuuming with a brush attachment should keep these blinds clean.
- > If needed, more severe soiling can be removed by using a soft cloth and mixture of mild detergent (such as dishwashing liquid soap) & water.
- > DO NOT SCRUB with any abrasive sponges or cleanser type products, as scratching of the slats may result.
- > If you are unable to clean your blinds to your satisfaction, please consult a professional blind cleaning company.

## Solar Roller Shades

- > Periodic vacuuming with a brush or upholstery attachment should keep these shades clean. These shades can also be brushed in place.
- > If needed, more severe soiling can be removed by using a soft brush and a mixture of mild detergent (such as dishwashing liquid soap) & water followed by a thorough rinsing.
- > Apply restorative vinyl cleaners (for vinyl fabrics).
- > We recommend professional cleaning for stains which do not come out easily.

## Roman Shades, Cellular & Pleated Shades & Draperies

- > Treatments may be dusted or lightly vacuumed with an upholstery attachment for everyday maintenance.
- > If heavy cleaning is necessary, please consult a professional drapery cleaner.

## Shutters

- > Since your custom wood shutters are made from real wood, care must be taken in cleaning them.
- > Although the wood is sealed, water or even excessive dampness may cause warpage or discoloration of the slats.
- > Dust can easily be brushed off at regular intervals using a clean, soft dust cloth or a vacuum brush attachment.
  - To Dust: Use a soft, clean cloth and tilt the louvers up and then down (but not entirely closed) to reach the entire top and bottom surfaces.
  - To Vacuum: Use the brush attachment and tilt louvers.
- > Stubborn stains can be removed by using a soft cloth and a mixture of mild detergent (such as dishwashing liquid soap) & water on the area in question - but be careful not to get the shutters too wet or to leave them wet. Shutters should be dried thoroughly after spot-cleaning.
- > DO NOT SCRUB with any abrasive sponges or cleanser type products, as scratching of the louvers may result.
- > Never expose your shutters to excessive moisture - such as leaving windows open when it is damp or raining outside or when sprinklers might be on.

## Window Tint

Window film may be cleaned with a clean, soft cloth and an alcohol-based cleaner or plain water. Ammonia products should not be used.