

# **Cleaning Instructions**

## Nautolex® Marine Upholstery and Flooring

**Nautolex** marine products have been designed to provide years of dependable service with normal use and care. Regular care will help to keep **Nautolex** marine products looking their best. However, some stains can become permanent if not removed quickly. We recommend cleaning as soon as possible after a stain is discovered.

#### Weekly Cleaning

Each week, wipe surfaces with a soft, damp cloth and towel dry. In very rainy weather, cover or remove cushions since seams can trap and absorb moisture. Cushions should be stored in a dry, well-ventilated area.

## **Special Cleaning Problems**

For dirt or stains that cannot be removed with a damp cloth, follow these steps:

**Mild Soap and Water Solution.** Use mild soap and water solution and if necessary, a soft-bristle brush. Rinse cleaned area with fresh water then dry with a clean, lint-free cloth.

**DO NOT USE** abrasive powders, steel wool, industrial strength or solvent cleaners, vinyl "conditioners" or "protectors". These products should be avoided on **Nautolex** marine products. Undiluted bleach or lacquer can dull or damage the marine product. If in doubt about a detergent or cleaner, test a patch in an inconspicuous place before applying in a larger place.

**Caution:** Suntan lotion and insect repellents can cause rapid staining and deterioration of the surface of the product. Remove these products immediately after contact. Wash the area with a mild soap and water solution, rinse with clean, warm water, and towel dry.

### **Nautolex** Topping

These simple care and cleaning instructions will help keep this **Nautolex** topping product mildew-free and looking good for years to come.

#### Weekly Cleaning

Each week, brush the fabric side of the topping with a soft brush to remove any dirt and contamination buildup. After brushing, wash the fabric surface with a solution made of one cup household bleach per gallon of clean water, and allow to air dry. Wash the vinyl side of your topping with a mild detergent solution, rinse with clean water and towel dry.

### **Special Cleaning Problems**

If mildew growth is a problem, spray the affected areas on the fabric side only with a cleaner such as X-14 Instant Mildew Stain Remover. Follow the manufacturer's instructions provided on the container to ensure correct usage. A caustic liquid, such as X-14 can discolor some fabrics and cause deterioration of natural fabrics, such as cotton.

**Caution:** Never store a topping that is wet, and do not store in a tightly sealed, humid container. Both of these conditions can cause rapid mildew growth. Also, never use power or pressure washing equipment to clean your **Nautolex** products.

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