

Shade Cloth Cleaning and Disinfecting Guidelines



① Dust

Using an electrostatic duster with a soft, disposable head or the brush attachment of a vacuum.

② Clean

Using mild soap and water, clean gently with a sponge or soft cloth.

③ Dry

Using a clean, soft cloth or duster.

④ Disinfect

Using a product that has Hydrogen Peroxide as the active ingredient. Be sure to follow the instructions on the product's label to ensure effective use of the product.

Hydrogen Peroxide meets the EPA's criteria for use against SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19.

For alternate, approved shade cloth disinfecting options, [go here](#).

Cleaning and Disinfecting Tips

- Wear gloves and make sure there is good ventilation during disinfecting
- Follow the contact time for disinfecting to ensure the product is effective
- Dust, clean, and dry in a single direction
- Avoid steam cleaning as it may melt the PVC or distort the stability of the shade
- Avoid cleaning in bright, hot sunlight to prevent soap spotting

Antibacterial and Antifungal Shade Cloth

Antibacterials and antifungals inhibit or slow the spread of microorganisms like bacteria and fungi such as mold and mildew.

Our shade cloths contain low amounts of added antimicrobials. The antimicrobial chemicals are encapsulated within the PVC yarn jacket, to reduce the risk of leaching.

ASTM E2180

The method focuses primarily on assessing antibacterial activity.

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This practice covers determination of the effect of fungi on the properties of materials such as shade cloth.

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