

# Care and Cleaning Guide

#### **Regular Care and Cleaning**

Always use a cotton cloth or non-abrasive sponge.

Option 1: Wipe with a damp cloth or sponge with mild dish soap.

Option 2: Wipe with a damp cloth or sponge using a 50/50 mix of water and Simple Green\*. (Simple Green works well on oily or tacky surfaces.)

### **Cleaning of Stains (Infrequent Care)**

Always use a cotton cloth or non-abrasive sponge.

Step 1: Using a damp cloth or sponge with a 50/50 mix of water and Simple Green®, scrub lightly for 10 to 20 strokes. This should remove most stains.

If stain persists, move on to Step 2 and if necessary, Step 3.

Step 2: Using a damp cloth or sponge with Buckeye Workout®, standard Fantastik® (S.C. Johnson), or standard Formula 409® (The Clorox Co.), lightly wipe for 10-20 strokes. Buckeye Workout is a commercial cleaner and readily available from a local distributor – call: 314.291.1900.

Note: Buckeye Workout® contains water and propylene glycol phenyl ether.

Step 3: Place a cloth or sponge damp with 70% Isopropyl Alcohol on top of the stain for 30 minutes. After 30 minutes, remove the cloth or sponge and wipe. This should remove makeup, ball-point ink, and other stubborn stains. If stain persists, repeat Step 3 until stain is removed.

#### **Disinfecting Laminate Surfaces**

A mixture of 10% bleach and 90% water can be used as a disinfectant on most laminate surfaces. Before using the mixture on an entire surface, be sure to test it on a non-visual spot.

## **Cleaners to Avoid**

- Any abrasive cleaner
- Most solvent based cleaners and harsh chemicals such as sink and toilet bowl cleaners
- Any cleaner in combination with a brush
- Cleaners containing ammonia
- Baking soda

If a harsh chemical is spilled on a thermofoil surface, wipe it up immediately. Then wash the surface with soapy water and rinse several times.