

Wheel Care Instructions

Thank you for purchasing a set of Ultra Wheels. We work hard to bring all our customers the best quality and designs available in the wheel industry today.

Below you will find tips on how to best care for your Ultra Wheels. We have broken these descriptions into segments based on finish. Please find your finish to see how we recommend you care for your wheels.

Wheels with Clear-Coat lacquer:

These are our easiest wheels to maintain for long periods of time. They are very durable through all seasons and can be used in the winter as well as the summer.

Care instructions:

Cool, dry and clean. All wheels last longest when kept in this combination. Dry and Clean are the most important. If you leave your wheels in a continuous moist or dirty environment a break down or scratch to the lacquer surface can allow contaminants or moisture to get under the coating and cause stains.

When washing your wheels it is “strongly” recommended to use mild soap and water only. Harsh cleaning chemicals will dry out or damage the clear coat lacquer. Also, NEVER APPLY COLD WATER TO HOT WHEELS!!! This will shock the finish and can cause cracking to the clear-coat lacquer which will later cause spotting or peeling.

Long-term protection:

Long-term protection of your wheels finish can be achieved in many ways. Heavy duty paste wax, bug deflector paint protectors and wheel protectants offer many long term durable options that can keep your wheels lasting for many years. These items, when applied to clean and dry wheels, create a physical and/or chemical barrier that prevents harmful contaminants from getting to your wheels clear coat lacquer finish. Ask your tire dealer or local auto parts store about the best of these available in your area.

As a final note: Keeping your wheels clean from debris and break dust while dry will give you the best opportunity for long lasting and great looking wheels.

Wheels with Chrome Finish:

These are our brightest wheels and require consistent cleaning to last for long periods of time. They are very durable but not recommended to be used through all seasons **and strongly recommended to not be used in the winter.**

Care instructions:

Cool, dry and clean. All wheels last longest when kept in this combination. Dry and Clean are the most important. If you leave your wheels in a continuous moist or dirty environment a break down or scratch to the chrome surface can allow contaminants or moisture to get under the coating and cause stains.

When washing your wheels it is “strongly” recommended to use mild soap and water only. Harsh cleaning chemicals will stain, spot or scratch the chrome finish. Also, NEVER APPLY COLD WATER TO HOT WHEELS!!! This will shock the finish and can cause cracking to the chrome finish which will later cause spotting or peeling.

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Wheels with Machined finish / bare aluminum:

These are our easy wheels to maintain for long periods of time. They are very durable through all seasons and can be used in the winter as well as the summer.

Care instructions:

Cool, dry and clean. All wheels last longest when kept in this combination. Dry and Clean are the most important. If you leave your wheels in a continuous moist or dirty environment your wheels will get spotted or stained that may not be easily removable.

When washing your wheels it is “strongly” recommended to use mild soap and water only. Harsh cleaning chemicals cause stains or spots do not use these. Also, NEVER APPLY COLD WATER TO HOT WHEELS!!! The machined surface has continuous grooves that create a simple barrier to prevent contaminants from soaking in. Shocking a hot wheel with cold water can create “very small pits” in the surface allowing contaminants a deeper hole to soak into the wheel.

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Wheels with a Polished finish:

These are our most time consuming wheels to maintain for long periods of time. They are very durable through all seasons and can be used in the winter as well as the summer. Understand that basic scratches and stains can be removed with the proper tools. Heavy duty scratches or stains may need professional polishing help to be removed.

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When washing your wheels it is “strongly” recommended to use mild soap and water only. Also, NEVER APPLY COLD WATER TO HOT WHEELS!!! And NEVER USE CHEMICAL CHROME CLEANERS TO THIS SURFACE. IT WILL CAUSE STAINS IN THE ALUMINUM THAT CANNOT BE REMOVED. The polished surface has a very smooth surface that can act as a light barrier to prevent contaminants from soaking in. Shocking a hot wheel with cold water can create “very small pits” in the surface allowing contaminants a deeper hole to soak into the wheel.

Re-buffing out small stains or pits:

Polished wheels are the only wheels that can be saved or brought back to new looking in this manner. Please look closely at the condition of the spots or pits in your wheels. The more heavily they are spotted or pitted the higher grit of polishing compound you will need. You may need to re-buff in a 2 or even 3 step processes to get back to that new looking finish. Always test clean a buffing compound in a small “test” area first before moving on to the whole wheel. It is recommended to start with the easier less scratch producing chemicals first before proceeding on to harsher compounds. Typical compounds in order:

1. Never-Dull wadding
2. Paste polishing compound
3. Red Clay Rouge
4. Any items that still have stains or spots after these three items will most likely need professional polishing help.

When re-buffing by hand it is very difficult to make big progress. Polishing to a high luster shine usually requires a high speed buff that can create a good amount of heat friction. As a simple driveway consumer we do not usually have access to all of this machinery. A simple and helpful tool is one of the foam ball products offered by many sources like “Mothers or Foose”. These items in combination with a high speed drill can help you bridge the gap between doing by hand and getting professional help.

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