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CARE AND MAINTENANCE

One of the best ways to keep Outdoor pillows looking good and to delay deep or vigorous cleaning is to properly maintain the fabrics. This can be accomplished by simply brushing off dirt before it becomes embedded in the fabrics, wiping up spills as soon as they occur or spot cleaning soon after stains occur.

● To Clean:

- Brush off any loose dirt.
- Prepare a cleaning solution of 2 ounces (1/4 cup) mild soap per gallon of lukewarm water (less than 100°F/38°C).
- Use a sponge or a soft bristle brush to clean.
- Allow the cleaning solution to soak into the fabric.
- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- Allow fabric to air dry.

For removable pillow covers, machine wash in cold water (less than 100°F/38°C). Depending on wash load size, use normal amounts of mild laundry soap. Allow fabric to air dry.

● Spot Cleaning:

- Apply a light mist of our recommended cleaning solution using a spray bottle
- Work the solution into the stain by lightly scrubbing the area with a sponge or very soft bristle brush.
- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- Blot excess moisture with a clean, soft towel or sponge.
- Wet-vacuum or blot excess water.
- Repeat these steps until the stain is removed.

● **Heavy cleaning for stubborn stains and mildew: Outdoor fabrics do not promote mildew growth; however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances that are not removed from the fabric.**

○ **Prepare a solution of 1 ounce (1/8 cup) of bleach and 2 ounces (1/4 cup) of mild soap per gallon of clean water.**

○ **Spray on the entire area and allow to soak into the fabric. Scrub vigorously with a soft bristle brush, sponge, or clean towel.**

○ **Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.**

○ **Allow fabric to air dry.**

○ **If stain and/or mildew are severe, bleach quantities may be increased.**