

# Cleaning Instructions

So that you can enjoy your easy-care Elesgo surface for a long time, we have prepared these care and cleaning instructions for you.

#### We recommend:

As a general rule, we advise you to clean the Elesgo surface immediately after soiling.

#### Not recommended:

You must not use abrasive cleaning / auxiliary materials such as steel wool or pads, sponges with an abrasive fleece, or cleaning milk or powder. Please do not use pointed or sharp objects (knives, scrapers, etc.) and avoid strongly concentrated acids / alkalis. If you use such aids, you will irrevocably damage the Elesgo surface and its characteristics!

# Quick cleaning

For guick cleaning, you can use household grease cleaner sprays consisting of water, soap and <5% anionic surfactants and possibly fragrances, in combination with a soft microfibre cloth or a towel (please follow the manufacturer's instructions).

## Intensive cleaning

For intensive cleaning of everyday substances such as coffee, tea, mustard, ketchup, oil/fat, balsamic vinegar, lemonade, butter, wine, pencils, shoe polish, etc., you need water, a soft & damp cloth, washingup liquid and, if necessary, a dirt eraser (this is made of melamine foam and is available in almost every grocery shop, DIY store or online). If the stain has already dried, place the cloth soaked in water and washing-up liquid on the affected area (approx. 1-2 minutes, a little longer for intense residues). Remove the loosened residues with the damp cloth or a wooden spatula. If residues are still visible after cleaning with a cloth, please use the eraser sponge with a little water and washing-up liquid.

To ensure a smear-free surface, we recommend applying a light foamy agent to the entire surface with the aforementioned dirt eraser then clean it with a sponge or cloth and clean water. Rub the wet surface dry with a towel or similar. Alternatively, washing powder dissolved in water can be used for guick and easy cleaning.

# **Removing persistent dirt**

#### Extreme soiling

For extreme soiling, for example by ballpoint pens, stamping ink, markers, permanent markers, lipstick, graffiti spray, etc., please use methylated spirits or acetone (nail polish remover also acetone-free), a paper towel and the dirt eraser sponge.

#### **Dried stains**

If the stain has already dried, place a paper towel soaked in acetone or methylated spirits on the affected area and let it soak for approx. 1-2 minutes. Remove the loosened residues the with the paper towel. Then clean the remaining stain with an eraser sponge with acetone / nail polish remover and remove the last residue.

### Spice, fruit, and vegetable stains

For older curry stains (spices in general, vegetables, fruit, etc.), please clean the affected area with a little washing powder and water for about 30 minutes and then remove remove the residue with an eraser sponge. Any discolouration that is still visible disappear after approx. 2-3 days due to exposure to light.

#### Limestone rims

To remove water or limescale stains, moisten these with household citric acid or vinegar (approx. 5 minutes, longer if necessary). You can then remove the stain without leaving any residue with the eraser sponge.

Melamine foam sponges are available in almost every supermarket or hardware stores as well as online.





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