



Recacril Canvas Cleaning Instructions

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The high technology finish, Infinity Process, provides Recasens® canvases with a long-lasting protection against mold as well as excellent water and oil repellency, making awnings that protect you from both sun and water for many years.

However, the accumulation of dust, air pollution particles, foreign organic materials and general dirt can damage this protection, shortening the life of the canvas so they must be eliminated. The most effective method for maintaining canvases is to clean once a month using a low-pressure hose to avoid accumulation of dirt in the fabric.

After rinsing, the canvas should be completely dry before it is rolled up and stored.

The awning may be left open during times of rain as the rain will wash the dirt away for you. If for any reason you have to roll up a wet awning, please ensure it is unrolled as soon as possible to let it dry. In times of continuous rain, Recasens® advises you to keep all awnings rolled up. If the monthly rinsing is performed, in most environments, a more thorough cleaning is only needed every 2-3 years.

To complete a thorough cleaning on Recacril® awnings, use the following steps:

- Brush off excess dust and dirt with a soft brush. NEVER use stiff brushes that can cause damage to the finish of the material.
- Spray the awning with clean water. If a hose is used, avoid high pressure.
- Prepare a solution of solvent-free soap in warm water (no more than 100°F) and apply it on the awning. Allow time for water to penetrate the surface.
- Rinse with water to remove all traces of soap.
- Let air dry. (**Do not** roll up the awning until the canvas is completely dry.)

Recacril® is protected against the growth of fungi, however, fungi can grow on embedded dirt. To remove fungi, use the following steps:

- Brush off excess dust and dirt with a soft brush. NEVER use stiff brushes that can cause damage to the finish of the material.
- Prepare a solution of 10% household bleach, 20% solvent-free neutral detergent, and 70% water.
- Apply the solution to the fabric and let it set for 15-20 minutes. (DO NOT allow it to set for longer than 20 minutes!!!)
- Rinse with clean water several times. If any bleach remains on the canvas, it could damage the fabric.
- Let air dry. (**Do not** roll up the awning until the canvas is completely dry.)
- Repeat the process if necessary.

To protect the environment, be sure to properly discard dirty water when using bleach as it can be harmful to animals and plants.