



Exterior and Interior Paint Maintenance Guide

Interior paint is one of the easiest and most affordable ways to transform and refresh your home. However, it also requires some care and attention to keep it in good condition and extend its lifespan. Here are some tips and guidelines for maintaining your interior paint:

- ****Clean regularly****: Remove any dust, dirt or cobwebs from your painted walls with a soft cloth, a feather duster or a vacuum cleaner. This will prevent the accumulation of grime and stains on the surface and keep it bright and smooth.
- ****Wash gently****: Use a mild soap and water solution to wash your painted walls when they get dirty or stained. Avoid using harsh chemicals, solvents or abrasives that can damage the paint or cause discoloration. Use a soft sponge or a cloth to gently wipe the affected area in a circular motion. Rinse with clean water and dry with a soft towel or a squeegee.
- ****Remove marks and scuffs****: If you notice any marks or scuffs on your painted walls, such as fingerprints, crayon marks, shoe marks, etc., use a magic eraser or a similar product to remove them. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for using and storing the product. Do not rub too hard or too long as this can damage the paint or cause discoloration.

- ****Touch up as needed****: If you find any chips, cracks or peeling on your painted walls, touch them up as soon as possible to prevent further damage or deterioration. Use the same paint color and finish as the original paint. Use a small brush or a roller to apply a thin and even coat of paint over the affected area. Blend the edges with the surrounding paint to avoid visible patches.
- ****Protect from moisture and humidity****: Moisture and humidity can cause mold, mildew and fungus to grow on your painted walls, especially in areas such as bathrooms, kitchens and laundry rooms. To prevent this, use a fan or a dehumidifier to reduce the moisture level in the air. Use a mildew-resistant paint or primer for these areas. Clean any signs of mold or mildew with a bleach and water solution or a commercial product.
- ****Avoid exposure to sunlight****: Sunlight can cause fading, yellowing or cracking on your painted walls, especially if they are exposed to direct or intense sunlight for long periods of time. To prevent this, use curtains, blinds or shades to block or filter the sunlight. Use a UV-resistant paint or primer for these areas.

By following these simple steps, you can keep your interior paint looking great and lasting long. If you have any questions or concerns about your interior paint, please contact your contractor or manufacturer for advice.

- ****Wash gently****: Use a mild soap and water solution to wash your painted surfaces when they get dirty or stained. Avoid using harsh chemicals, solvents or abrasives that can damage the paint or cause discoloration. Use a soft brush or a sponge to gently scrub the affected area. Rinse with clean water and let it dry completely.
- ****Remove marks and scuffs****: If you notice any marks or scuffs on your painted surfaces, such as graffiti, bird droppings, tree sap, etc., use a paint thinner or a similar product to remove them. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for using and storing the product. Do not rub too hard or too long as this can damage the paint or cause discoloration.
- ****Touch up as needed****: If you find any chips, cracks or peeling on your painted surfaces, touch them up as soon as possible to prevent further damage or deterioration. Use the same paint color and finish as the original paint. Use a small brush or a roller to apply a thin and even coat of paint over the affected area. Blend the edges with the surrounding paint to avoid visible patches.
- ****Protect from moisture and humidity****: Moisture and humidity can cause mold, mildew and fungus to grow on your painted surfaces, especially in areas such as eaves, gutters and windowsills. To prevent this, use a fan or a dehumidifier to reduce the moisture level in the air. Use a mildew-resistant paint or primer for these areas. Clean any signs of mold or mildew with a bleach and water solution or a commercial product.
- ****Avoid exposure to sunlight****: Sunlight can cause fading, yellowing or cracking on your painted surfaces, especially if they are exposed to direct or intense sunlight for long periods of time. To prevent this, use awnings, shutters or shades to block or filter the sunlight. Use a UV-resistant paint or primer for these areas.

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Roof and Gutter Maintenance Guide

Roof and gutter are essential parts of your home that protect it from water damage, leaks and pests. However, they also require some care and attention to keep them in good condition and extend their lifespan. Here are some tips and guidelines for maintaining your roof and gutter:

- ****Inspect regularly****: Check your roof and gutter at least twice a year, preferably in spring and fall, for any signs of damage or deterioration, such as missing or broken shingles, rusted or sagging gutters, cracks or holes, etc. If you notice any problems, contact a professional roofer or gutter installer for repair or replacement.
- ****Clean thoroughly****: Remove any debris, such as leaves, twigs, dirt or moss, from your roof and gutter with a broom, a rake or a garden hose. This will prevent clogging, overflowing and rotting of the materials and keep them functioning properly. Use a mild soap and water solution to wash away any stains or dirt from the surface. Rinse with clean water and let it dry completely.
- ****Remove ice dams****: Ice dams are thick ridges of ice that form along the edge of your roof and prevent melting snow from draining off. They can cause water to back up and leak into your home, damaging your walls, ceilings and insulation. To prevent ice dams, use a roof rake or a shovel to remove snow from your roof after every snowfall. Do not use salt or chemicals to melt the ice as they can damage the materials or cause corrosion. If you have ice dams already formed on your roof, contact a professional roofer or gutter installer for removal.
- ****Trim overhanging branches****: Trim any branches that overhang your roof or gutter with a pruning saw or a chainsaw. This will prevent them from scratching or puncturing the materials or dropping debris into the gutter. It will also reduce the risk of fire or storm damage to your home.

- ****Install gutter guards****: Gutter guards are devices that cover the top of your gutter and prevent debris from entering it. They can be made of metal, plastic or mesh and come in different shapes and sizes. They can reduce the frequency and difficulty of cleaning your gutter and protect it from clogging and overflowing. However, they still require some maintenance and inspection to ensure they are working properly.

By following these simple steps, you can keep your roof and gutter looking great and lasting long.

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