

Maintenance Guide

Congratulations on purchasing First Canadian Platinum Shield Protection for your new vehicle.

Properly maintained, these products will dramatically extend the life of your vehicle's cosmetic appearance. We offer you this guide to aid in keeping your new investment in top showroom condition.

Paint Protection

- Upon purchase **do not wash** exterior with detergent for at least 48 hours after paint sealant to cure and fully bond with the paint surface. It is okay to rinse and chamois. However, **avoid the use of a leather chamois** as it may secrete an oily residue, clouding the finish on your vehicle.
- Avoid automatic car washes using brushes. The vinyl brushes may put light scratches on your vehicle's finish; resulting in a dulled look. This is especially noticeable in clear coat painted surfaces. Always use a brushless or soft cloth automatic wash or hand wash. If hand washing, ensure wash mitt or scrub brush is free of any grit as this may cause scratches in the paint.
- It is good practice to always pre-rinse your wash brush or mitt thoroughly before using. After washing, ensure you chamois down your vehicle to prevent water spotting, especially in hot weather.
- Some areas have unusually hard or alkaline water that may cause spotting if not removed. If not wiped down, these spots could be troublesome to remove. It is suggested your apply a paint sealant cleaner to your vehicle once a year to remove any soap residue, atmospheric fallout, water spotting, etc; that might collect on your paint over time. The paint cleaner will help maintain your finish and will not affect the paint protection. This product is available in our optional maintenance kit, see dealer for details. Avoid applying waxes as they may build up on your finish causing a dull or cloudy look.
- If paint work is done, the repainted area will need to be retreated once the paint is fully cured (30-45 days). This must be done to maintain warranty. If heavy solvent cleaning or polishing is done this will weaken or remove the paint sealant.
- Use a citrus-based cleaner to remove spots. The use of petroleum-based solvents may weaken the paint protection barrier.
- Tree Sap Spots (Amber or brown spots on paint). Do not try to chip off; this may scratch the paint. Use methyl-hydrate (gas line antifreeze) to remove. Avoid the use of harsh cleaners as they may damage your finish.
- Bird Droppings & Water Spots Remove as soon as possible. Both may be corrosive and if left too long will etch into the paint leaving permanent marks. Paint cleaners will remove light marks; further damage may require professional care. Contact your dealer for advice.

Interior Fabric Protection

- Wipe up spilled liquids **as soon as possible.** Use a dry clean cloth to dab up spill. If residue remains on fabric use a warm damp cloth and wipe gently with the grain of the fabric. Follow with a dry cloth to soak up excess moisture. **Avoid the use of harsh cleaners.** If stain persists, contact dealer for guidance.
- Note Due to the physical characteristics of some fabrics, after treatment, they may or may not bead some spilled liquids. This does not reduce the protection of the fabric for the fibers are protected from stain penetration.

Vinyl and Leather Protection

• To clean, wipe surface with damp cloth to remove contaminates and then buff with a dry cloth to remove excess moisture (soft terry-cloth is recommended). Avoid using any corrosive cleaners or vinyl dressings with high silicone content as they may cause cracking or discolouration.

Rustproof and Undercoat

- No regular maintenance except to avoid pressure washing the treated area (i.e. wheel wells, engine compartment) for the first couple of weeks after treatment. This allows the products to fully harden and depending on thickness, temperature, etc., this time may vary.
- Avoid wet conditions or gravel for the first 48 hours of drying.



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