

MAXIMUM RESISTANCE STORM SHUTTERS

Care and maintenance instructions for your

Accordion Shutters:

To protect your investment and keep shutters in top operating condition, the following simple preventative maintenance should be performed:

CLEANING

Wash with warm water, soap and a soft brush at least TWICE A YEAR. DO NOT USE abrasive cleaners, pads or hard bristle brushes. A pressure washer can also be used to clean the shutters. Wash the slats and the “ribs” (hinges) connecting the slats. The ribs should be cleaned with the shutter in both the open and folded positions to better remove dirt and salt. shutters. Hose or vacuum the lower tracks. Inspect for buildup of dirt, salt, insect nests, and other particles that may cause problems with the operation of your shutters

LUBRICATION

Lubricate the top tracks and locks at least TWICE A YEAR. Use a silicone spray, aluminum lubricant or white lithium grease. Spray the upper track with the lubricant, then open and close the shutter to evenly distribute the lubricant. Spray lubrication and or Powdered graphite into keyhole. Lower tracks do not require lubrication. Orange crystalline substance on locks is caused by animal urine. It is not rust the locks are galvanized. To clean the locks wear rubber gloves scrap using a wire brush. Spray Pinesol in the lock tube to prevent reoccurrence.

MONTHLY INSPECTION

Be sure to operate your shutter at least once a month. This will help to keep your tracks clear and moving smoothly. By opening and then shutting your shutters, you can check for loose screws, mounting fasteners that may have worked their way loose, or debris such as insect nests.

Please remember that your accordion shutters are moving walls of metal. They must have some “play” in them and will make some noise when used. This is especially true during high winds when positive and negative wind pressures will cause the shutters to flex in and out. The noise you hear is normal and no cause for alarm.

By cleaning, inspecting, repairing, and of course lubricating on a regular basis, you won't have anything to worry about when the next hurricane approaches. If you want to make your home or business secure with Accordion shutters or have questions regarding their maintenance, contact our experts today.

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