

## **CARE AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE FOR COMPRESSED QUARTZ SURFACES**

Compressed quartz surfaces are non-porous and highly resistant to stains and penetration of spills into deeper layers of the surface. As such, Compressed Quartz is very simple to clean, care, and maintain.

### **DAILY ROUTINE**

Just use water, dish soap, and paper towel or a damp sponge to absorb any spills after food preparation. If needed, use any non-abrasive cleaner to wipe away any excess. Be sure to dry the area thoroughly with a clean cloth.

### **TOUGH SPOTS**

- Leave the non-abrasive cleaners to sit on the affected area for a few minutes;
- Soak the affected area with pads of paper towels for 5 to 10 minutes;
- Scrub the area gently with a non-scratch pad such as Scotch Brite pad in circular movement;
- Rinse with clean water thoroughly;
- Dry thoroughly.
- For even tougher spots, use Soft Scrub Liquid Gel (with or without bleach). Leave the gel to sit on the affected area for a longer time and follow the same steps above.

### **REMOVING ADHERED MATERIALS** (gums, nail polish, paint, etc.)

- Scrape the surface with a plastic putty knife or a razor. Compressed Quartz Surfaces are very hard and will not be harmed by razor edges.
- Rinse with clean water thoroughly;
- Dry thoroughly.
- Any grey marks left by the blade can be removed with Soft Scrub Liquid Gel.

### **CAUTION**

- Do not apply any sealer. Compressed Quartz does not need to be sealed.
- Do not use abrasive scrubs. Always use non-scratch pads such as Scotch Bride pad.
- Do not use harsh chemicals, or abrasive oven and plumbing cleaners. These chemicals will dull the surface finish.
- Do not use products containing oils or powders because they leave residue.
- Do not use knives directly on the quartz surface. Always use a cutting board.
- Do not place hot pots, pans, or electric skillet directly on the quartz surface. Always use trivets or hot pads. Extreme heat may cause thermal shock and crack the surface in long term.
- Minimize direct sun exposure to Compressed Quartz. Long-term exposure to direct sunlight may discolour surface finish.
- Compressed Quartz is only for interior applications.