## Care & Maintenance

## TEXACRAFT

Fine outdoor furniture deserves exceptional care. Your furniture can be enjoyed for many years when well maintained. Wash the furniture with a solution of mild detergent and water, rinse with clear water and dry thoroughly. A clear automobile wax can be applied to smooth frame finishes to provide better protection against harmful ultraviolet exposure and salt air. DO NOT use any kind of wax, abrasive materials or strong detergents on select finishes.

For vinyl, strap and sling seating surfaces, apply a quality vinyl protectant to guard against the effects of air pollution, salt air build-up, and mildew growth. Wash outdoor cushions with a solution of mild detergent and water and thoroughly rinse with clear water. Allow cushions to air dry completely.

To clean woven products use a feather duster or soft brush to eliminate surface dirt. Wash with clean water and wipe dry with soft cloth. For stubborn stains, dip a soft cloth or sponge in mild soap water and wipe the stained areas. Rinse with clean water and wipe dry with soft cloth. We do not recommend using a pressure washer to clean as the pressure of the jet might damage the material. Do NOT use chemicals or polishing/wax on the woven material.

Light stains can be removed with a solution of mild detergent (liquid dishwashing soap) and water, rinsed with clear water and dried thoroughly. Mildew and heavy stains can be removed with a quality commercial outdoor furniture cleaner and protectant.

Note: Some suntan and sun block products may be harmful to cushions, sling and vinyl and straps. Do not allow such products to come in contact with any seating surfaces to avoid deep penetrating stains, which are not covered under warranty.

Do not steam or use water at temperatures above 100°F when washing.

Note: Be careful to keep the cleaner from contact with the cushions of your Texacraft furniture, as it will cause discoloration. Do not use bleach on printed acrylic fabrics. Do not use solvent-type materials on woven vinyl, woven blend or ultra woven blend fabrics as they will damage the yarns. Do not use chlorine based cleaners.

Our copper tops can simply be left alone if you appreciate the natural patina coloration that copper will endure in time. However, if you want to keep your copper tops looking like new copper, special attention and care must be addressed. Many people appreciate the natural patina that raw copper develops over time. Whether your top is exposed to the elements or in a sheltered area, the amount of acid in the air and the amount of use the table top endures, will dictate its appearance. Even a water glass will potentially leave rings on the table as will any spillage of liquids. The patina that develops is often water soluble and if allowed to build-up will wash off in the rain, potentially staining the surface on which the table is placed. Use coasters and placemats when dining. Coasters will help absorb any "sweating" by beverage glasses or cups. Placemats will catch spills and prevent dishes from scratching the table. When placing hot food dishes on the tabletop, use trivets, mats or hot pads. Cleaning from time-to-time with a non-abrasive cleaner will control the amount of patina build-up but in most cases will not be totally uniform due to the random nature of the surface oxidation. The top can be cleaned and polished using a variety of widely available copper cleaners. An application of paste automobile wax can also be applied. However, if this option is chosen, please be advised that this is a process that must be maintained from that point forward. The wax will wear off unevenly and if not regularly replaced, will create a "splotchy" appearance. Where the wax wears off, the surface will begin to oxidize. Please remember you have a one-of-a-kind item. No two will match and in fact may be quite different. On the other hand it is fabricated from solid copper, almost 1/16" thick, thus enabling you to care for it in any manner you choose.

For best protection of your furniture, perform a maintenance regimen two to three times a year, although these durable outdoor materials can be safely cleaned as often as desired.