

fluid Stainless Steel Sink **Care and Cleaning**

Your fluid kitchen sink is a heavy-duty sink that with proper care will last for many years to come. Regular cleaning and care will extend the life and beauty of this product.

- **Use ONLY non-abrasive cleansers.** Do not use abrasive cleansers or cleansers that contain chlorine (usually sodium hypochlorite) or hydrochloric acid, steel wool or metal scrub pads—these will scratch and dull the surface of the sink. (Note, just because a cleaning product is liquid, this does not necessarily mean that it is non-abrasive. Make sure before using a product that it specifically states non-abrasive).
- **Keep the sink dry.** Regularly rinse and towel dry your sink with a soft, dry cloth when not in use to keep it dry. This will prevent surface deposits and water spots caused by lime in the water. (Note, if you don't regularly dry a stainless steel sink in an area with hard water, that water will evaporate over time and leave only the minerals on your sink. Over time, this can look like rust. It isn't rust; it is simply deposited minerals. Keeping your sink dry will prevent this from occurring). Use a 50/50 solution of vinegar and water to remove any mineral deposits that may have built up.
- **Rinse away cleansers** after use and wipe the sink dry again to prevent water spots from forming.
- **Do not drop sharp objects into your sink** and do not use your sink surface as a cutting board as this may scratch or damage the sink. Materials that are harder than stainless steel can scratch, including stone, diamond, glass, ceramic or abrasives.
- **Rust spots and stains** can be removed with cleaners specifically meant to remove lime scale, calcium and mineral deposits. Stainless steel does not rust, however rust stains may occur as a result of other materials coming in contact with the sink allowing iron particles to bond to the sink surface. (It is wise to always test on a small area first). Iron particles introduced by metal cookware, steel wool pads, etc. that react with water can deposit rust spots. Again, the best way to maintain your sink is to clean and dry daily.
- **Do not use rubber-coated mats** as discoloration of the sink may occur after prolonged use. Similarly, any wet sponges or cleaning materials left on the sink for long periods could stain the sink surface.