



# **MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING SHEET**

**FOR DECORATIVE SURFACES**



## GENERAL SURFACE MAINTENANCE

**TAFISA® products are easy to maintain and do not require special care. Normal use and basic maintenance will ensure years of use and unsurpassed surface quality.**

Whether Prélude®, Sommet® or Lummia® series, all TAFISA® surfaces (TFL, HPL and mouldings) are easy to clean with mild liquid soap and a damp cloth. For best results and to avoid streaks, TAFISA® recommends using a foaming aerosol glass cleaner with a damp soft cloth or microfibre damp cloth. Apply a small amount of foam on the surface and gently wipe with the damp cloth.

### THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS ARE RECOMMENDED BY OUR EXPERTS:

- **PRESTA® ammonia-free glass cleaner**
- **BON AMI® Power foam glass cleaner**

Never use cleaning products containing wax, abrasives, acids or strong alkaline bases, as well as steel wool or abrasive scouring pads. These products can cause irreversible damage to your decorative panel surfaces.

## SPOT CLEANING

TAFISA®'s products are rigorously tested for resistance to stains from everyday products according to NEMA LD-3 2005 standards.

### STAIN-RESISTANT PRODUCTS

- Distilled water
- Ethyl alcohol 50 :50
- Acetone
- All-purpose ammonia
- 10% citric acid
- Vegetable oil
- Coffee
- Tea
- Ketchup
- Yellow mustard

### MODERATELY STAIN-RESISTANT PRODUCTS

- 10% povidone iodine
- Black permanent marker
- #2 pencil
- Crayons
- Black shoe wax

If a mild liquid soap or glass foam product does not sufficiently remove a stain, methyl alcohol or acetone is recommended. Always read and follow the manufacturer's safety guidelines when using alcohol or acetone.

## DISINFECTION OF SURFACES

**TAFISA®** recommends using hydrogen peroxide-based disinfectant in the form of wipes, as the company considers this solution to be the least damaging in the long term.

The following products are recommended by our experts:



- VIROX® wipes
- Oxivir® wipes
- Accel® wipes



## RESULTS OF THE BIFMA HCF 8.1-2019 STANDARD TESTS

All TAFISA® textures in the Prélude®, Sommet® and Lummia® series have undergone testing according to BIFMA HCF 8.1-2019 Health Care Furniture Design Guidelines for Cleanability. All testing was conducted by the BIFMA-approved third party testing lab Micom Laboratories.



### TEST 6: RESISTANCE TO DISINFECTANTS

1. Distilled water,
2. Diluted Javel (10:1),
3. 3% hydrogen peroxyde solution,
4. Quaternary ammonium
5. 70% isopropyl alcohol
6. Phenols

All textures meet the standard.



### TEST 8 : RESISTANCE TO STEAM

All textures meet the standard.



### TEST 9: RESISTANCE TO UV LIGHT

All textures meet the standard.







## ANTIMICROBIAL EFFICACY

**TAFISA® PRODUCTS HAVE A NON-POROUS SURFACE THAT DOES NOT PROMOTE BACTERIAL GROWTH.**

Products sampled from all of Tafisa’s textures have been tested by the third-party Microchem Laboratories according to ISO 22196: 2011 standards. The products were also proven to be compliant with the Japanese JIS Z2801: 2012 standard for antimicrobial activity and effectiveness in not promoting bacterial growth. Demonstrated to reduce 99.9% of the bacteria tested (Escherichia coli ATCC 8739, Staphylococcus aureus ATCC 6538), TAFISA®’s products exhibit strong biocidal properties.

**IMPORTANT NOTE**

TAFISA® decorative surfaces are not anti-virus. The proven antimicrobial properties of our panels do not protect users from contamination of Covid-19 or other germs, bacteria or viruses. They do not serve as a substitute for disinfection with the products mentioned above.

## CAUTION

Tafisa Canada does not control any post-production modifications to its products, such as the installation of edgebanding. To best maintain your TAFISA® decorative surfaces, it is important to avoid using large amounts of liquid. In the event that installation has resulted in gaps between the panels and edgebanding, the liquid may cause the panels to swell, especially if left on the panels for an extended period of time.

