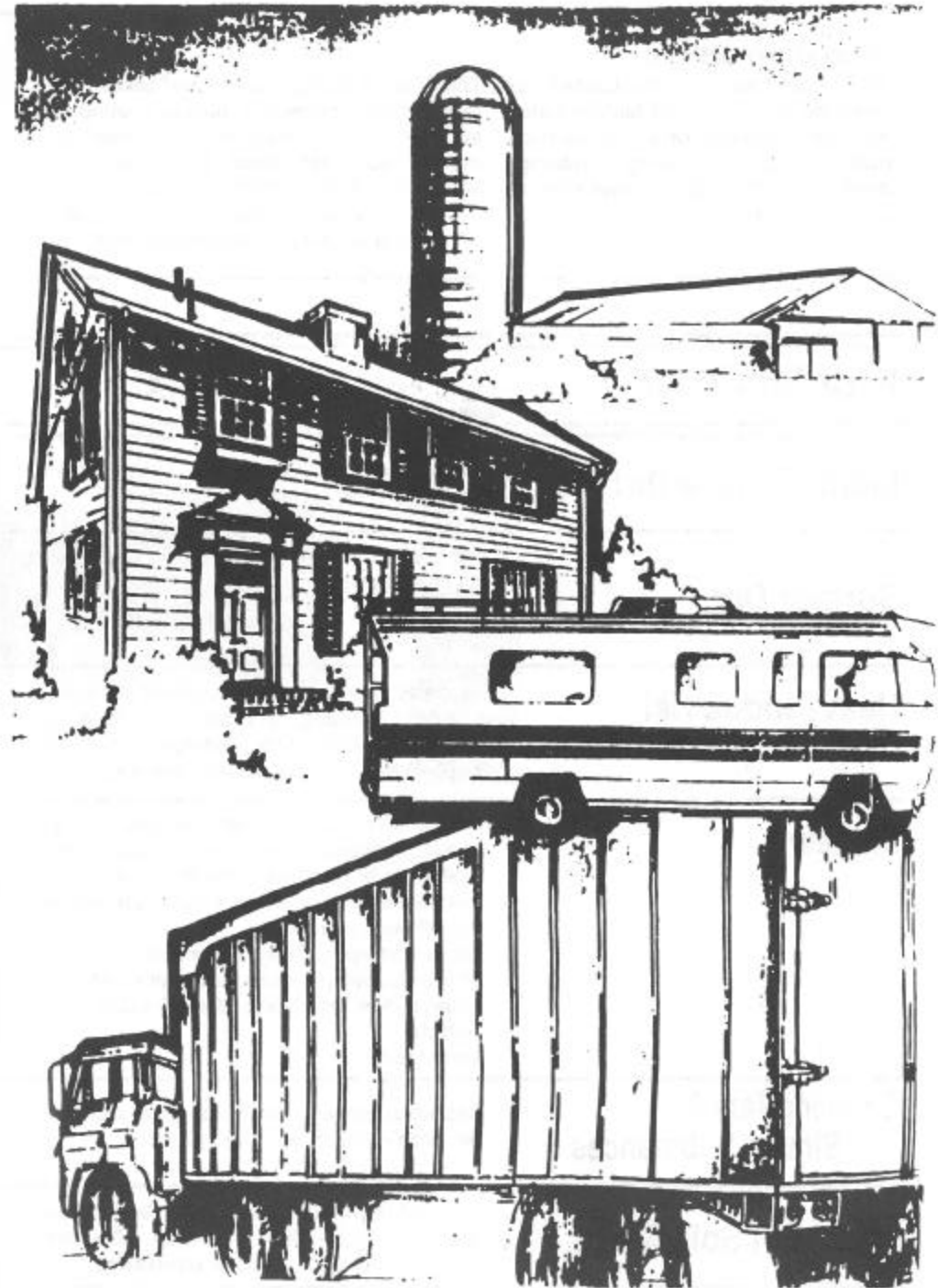


Recommended Care and Maintenance of PPG Coatings



PPG: A Concern for the Future

**It's easy to care for
exterior metal surfaces
finished with PPG coatings**

General Instructions

PPG coatings are formulated to combine the beauty of lasting color and the durability of a film surface that resists cracking, flaking, peeling and blistering under normal use conditions.

The finish is factory applied and baked on to form a highly protective surface coating. Its adhesion and flexibility characteristics provide good resistance to chipping and scratching. Colors remain attractive, with minimal chalking or fading. PPG coatings add lasting value to metal building products.

Factory-applied PPG coatings on metal surfaces form a durable finish that doesn't collect dirt as readily as many other finishes. Always clean coated surfaces and follow immediately with a thorough clear-water rinse.

General Cautions/Warnings

Overcleaning or scrubbing of a coated metal surface can do more harm than good to its surface life.

Solvent and abrasive-type cleaners should be avoided in cleaning any coated surface.

Problem Type	Solution/Materials	Cleaning Methods	Cautions
Light, Surface Dirt	Normal rainfall is usually sufficient to wash exterior surfaces satisfactorily.	Normal rainfall.	
Surface Dirt	Where removal of surface dirt is desirable, wash and rinse with clear water.	The use of a garden hose and soft bristle brush is recommended (a long-handled car washing brush is ideal for most surfaces).	
Heavy Industrial Deposits	In areas where heavy industrial deposits dull the surface, a normal solution of water and household detergent may be applied to assure thorough cleaning.	A soft bristle brush with medium pressure is recommended. A clear water rinse should follow.	
Mildew	Mildew may occur in areas subject to high humidity, appearing on the surface of the coating as black spots in the dirt. The mildew can be removed by using a basic solution of the following ingredients: 1/3 cup detergent (Tide, for example) 2/3 cup trisodium phosphate (Socilax, for example) 1 quart sodium hypochlorite 5% solution (Clorox, for example) 3 quarts water	Soft bristle brush with medium pressure is recommended. Rinse the wall with clear water after cleaning.	Stronger concentration of cleaners can prove injurious to the coating surface.
Caulking Tars & Similar Substances	Caulking tars and similar substances can be removed with mineral spirits.	A soft bristle brush with medium pressure is recommended. A clear water rinse should follow.	Do not use harsh solvents, alkalis or acid cleaners.
Stubborn Soil Spots	For stubborn soil spots, apply Soft Scrub (Clorox Co.), Temp Cream Cleaner (DuBois Chemical, inc.) or equivalent.	A soft bristle brush or sponge with medium pressure is recommended. A clear water rinse should follow.	Be sure to follow label directions.