



Customer Maintenance

Ceramic coatings offer tremendous performance and are certainly the best value for money option when choosing protection for your vehicle. It is still important to maintain the ceramic coating correctly. Washing when performed correctly is a very simple process that will ensure that your vehicle looks and performs the way it was presented to you for the duration of the coating that was chosen.

Allowing the product fully cure which is between three to five days is important for the coating to reach full hardness, during this time it is advised not to wash the vehicle with any harsh shampoo, all purpose cleaners or anything containing caustic soda. This will damage the hydrophobic properties. Plain water may be used during this period.

If you notice any contaminants on the car, for example bird droppings, tree sap, water ie drops from car parks which may be mixed with dirt, oil etc, you need to remove them at the earliest opportunity. Warm water or using a pressure washer won't be detrimental. If required IGL Coatings 'Paint' maybe be used in situations where the paintwork isn't in a condition to dry immediately for example if light dirt still present.

Cleaning your vehicle following the coating being applied, it will be much easier to maintain as our coatings contain self cleaning properties, meaning treated areas will stay cleaner for longer periods of time between cleaning. This doesn't eliminate the requirement to wash and maintain a vehicle altogether. Ceramic coatings do not prevent airborne particles and road tar from bonding to your vehicles paintwork, the difference is on a coated vehicle the contaminants bond to the protection not the vehicle itself making them easier to remove them and remove without touching the original paintwork.

Using a safe wash technique will not only offer value and maximum durability from your ceramic coating it's also efficient and methodical.

- Start with the wheels and arches, this ensures that no debris goes onto a clean vehicle. Pre-rinse the wheels and arches with a pressure washer to remove excess dirt warm water is the best approach. Spray IGL Ecoclean 'Iron' onto the wheels, if wheels have been protected IGL's Ecoclean 'Wash'

product is sufficient, leave to dwell then agitate with various size brushes/ mitts before rinsing thoroughly with clean water. Repeat if necessary until all brake dust is removed. Diluting 'Multi' 1:3 or 1:4 will ensure the arches are kept clean.

- Pre-rinse the vehicle with a pressure washer using either warm water or a foam lance to remove excess dirt. Using two buckets preferably with grit guards one with just clean water the other with 'Wash' ph neutral car shampoo with a ratio of around 1:300, along with a lambswool or microfibre wash mitt (don't use a silicone based sponge) proceed to wash the vehicle from the top down washing the lower section last, at each point before applying more car shampoo to your wash media rinse it out in the bucket of clean water, this small but important step ensures NO dirt goes into the soap solution and prevents it from being dragged across the vehicle surface. Power wash each section to remove soap solution before the product starts to dry. Using a open ended hose sheet the water over the vehicle before drying.
- Using a drying towel pat dry the vehicle to remove any remaining water including door shuts and blower may also be used for grilles, side mirrors or any area that collects water, water shouldn't be left to dry naturally.
- At this point a quick detail spray 'Enhancer' or coating maintenance spray 'Premier' may be used to aid all the benefits of the coating whilst adding gloss. Vehicle tyres, rubber seals and plastics (if not coated) maybe dressed with 'Tyre' to help against uv fading & damage.

The products listed above are a system that has been designed to work together please don't use any product containing wax, polymers or fillers that aren't from IGL Coatings, although these products won't remove the coating, certain beneficial properties may be affected.

Using a safe wash technique that utilises products within the ph 3-9 range will eliminate the time consuming use of polish or wax for the duration specified.

Periodic inspections by a authorised detailer is recommended resulting in the coatings performance being optimal.

Any questions or queries please ask.

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