Care & Cleaning Guide

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The team at First Choice Lighting take great care in designing, manufacturing and selecting the right materials and finishes in order their products reach you in perfect condition.

The following pages contain some helpful do's, dont's and tips to allow you to continue to enjoy your First Choice Lighting product at it's best for many years to come.

#### GENERAL

• Ensure electrical power to the product is switched off before carrying out any cleaning or maintenance.

• If the product has to be dis-assembled, make sure you have a copy of the instruction manual for re-assembly; these can be downloaded from the First Choice Lighting website.

• If bulbs are to be removed for cleaning, ensure sufficient time has been allowed for them to cool before handling.

• Any untested cleaning products should be first tried on a small hidden area of the fixture to ensure they do not affect the surface.

• Do not use abrasive cleaning products; solvents and chemicals can damage finishes.

• It is recommended that exterior products are regularly cleaned and maintained every six months; accumulations of dirt, garden vegetation or bird faeces etc will damage the product if left untended.

#### METAL

- Clean with a soft dry cloth.
- If particularly dirty, moisten the cloth using fresh water and dry thoroughly using a separate soft cloth.
- Exterior products are quite resistant to corrosion; however they do require maintenance to preserve their

appearance. Wash the product with a solution of detergent and warm water, removing all surface deposits.Rinse with fresh water and dry with a soft cloth.

### MIRROR

- Clean with a soft cloth moistened using fresh water, dry thoroughly using a separate soft cloth.
- If particularly dirty, then use a soft cloth with a non-abrasive cleaning product.
- Wipe the glass starting from the centre, working outwards in a circular motion.
- Polish using a clean microfibre cloth.

#### FABRIC

- Use a fine brush, such as a paint brush or a lint remover to remove any accumulated dirt or dust.
- Use a soft cloth slightly moist with fresh water to gently remove any dirty marks.
- Do not immerse shades with a plastic inner liner or trim in water.

## PLASTIC

- Clean with a soft dry cloth; if particularly dirty, moisten the cloth using fresh water.
- Dry thoroughly using a separate soft cloth.

### GLASS

- Use a clean, soft cloth to wipe the product.
- If the surface is particularly dirty, use a soft cloth moistened with a mild solution of detergent and water.
- Detach glass parts from the product and rinse thoroughly with fresh water.

• A mild glass cleaner may also be used as long as it does not come into contact with any other surfaces of the product.

• Ensure the glass parts are fully dried before re-assembly.

# WOOD

- Clean with a soft dry cloth, if particularly dirty moisten the cloth using fresh water.
- Dry thoroughly using a separate soft cloth.

## CERAMIC

• Bare or unglazed ceramic is very porous; any water or liquids which come into contact with it can create staining.

- Dust can be removed with a dry soft cloth or with a fine bristle paint brush.
- Dirty marks may be removed by carefully rubbing using a damp smoke sponge or vulcanized rubber.

• If the plaster has been glazed or sealed using a paint or varnish coating, it can be cleaned with a slightly damp cloth.

