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PLEASE BE CAREFUL

These porcelain enamel staff gages are very durable once installed. However, they are most susceptible to damage while uncrating and installing.

To ensure that damage does not incur, please follow these instructions carefully:

- 1. Remove gages carefully from box. Do not use steel tools to pry panels free. Cut styrofoam or surrounding packing as necessary.
- 2. Set on flat clean surface, being careful not to overflex panels.
- 3. Do not bump edges against other surfaces, especially other panels.
- 4. Do not put bolts, screws or other steel retaining devices in immediate contact with panel surface. Always use neoprene rubber or plastic washers. TO ENSURE WARRANTY COVERAGE, HOLES MUST BE SEALED AGAINST RUST WITH SILICONE PRIOR TO INSTALLATION OF BOLTS, SCREWS OR OTHER STEEL RETAINING DEVICES.
- 5. Do not overtighten mounting hardware.
- 6. Keep panel edges and faces protected while installing.

Given the nature of ceramic surfaces on Stevens Gages, there is minimum maintenance required. The most common need is periodic cleaning to remove debris or random spotting from rain or other matter. Following the simple steps outlined below:

- a. Cleaning should be performed with a clean, soft cloth using soap and water, commercial window cleaners such as "windex" or ammonia. Treatment is similar to what would be used to clean exterior windows. Vigorus rubbing may sometimes be required for particular difficult stains. Frequency of cleaning would depend upon the need for maintaining a suitably clean appearance. Obviously this will vary depending on where these gages are installed.
- b. To ease the cleaning process, we suggest that an automotive car wax coating be applied. This is a particularly advisable where panels are exposed to tree sap or are in salt water areas where they can accumulate "hard water scum". The presence of wax coating facilitates an easier removal of dirt and other undesirable natural debris.
- c. Graffiti can readily be removed with paint remover or solvent which will dissolve the offending material. Any residual haze can be cleaned as outlined in step. a.
- d. DO NOT USE ABRASIVE CLEANERS Over a period of time, the use of abrasive cleaners will damage the ceramic surface similar to what could be expected on any glass material.

To Repair Chip Damage on your Porcelain Enameled Gages:

- 1. Clean surrounding area to be repaired with Windex or other cleaner.
- 2. Clean out chip area with hard bristle brush or Scotch-brite. If chip area is heavily rusted, use naval jelly to remove rust. When using navel jelly, be sure to apply to the chip area only since it may mar surrounding porcelain finish.
- 3. Dry and remove any dust from chip area.
- 4. Apply thin coat of Duro Appliance Touch-up (not supplied by Stevens). Allow to air dry for 15 minutes or expedite drying process with heat gun or hair dryer.
- 5. Apply second coat of touch-up slightly thicker than surrounding porcelain to allow for slight shrinkage upon drying.