



Cleaning and Handling Procedures

Accuride ProShield XGT® Aluminum Wheels

Congratulations on the purchase of your Accuride ProShield XGT® aluminum wheel. You have chosen the lowest maintenance aluminum wheel available from Accuride. Accuride recommends the following cleaning and handling procedures to keep your ProShield XGT® wheel performing its best. Be sure to share this information with your service technician, **prior to having service work performed.**

Cleaning:

To keep your ProShield XGT® wheels looking their best, follow these simple cleaning steps:

1. Rinse the wheel with water to remove any debris, grit or dirt particles. Running stream from hose water is recommended.
2. Use a 100% cotton cloth dipped in a mild soap solution to help remove stuck-on dirt and grease.
3. Rinse the remaining soap residue from the wheel – *thoroughly*.
4. Dry the wheel thoroughly with a 100% cotton cloth.
5. Commercial Bug/Tar/Grime Cleaners may be used to remove stuck-on particles from the wheel. Accuride recommends you test the cleaner in an inconspicuous area for discoloration before treating the wheel.
6. Do not scrub the wheel before rinsing off loose particles with water. Rubbing debris against the surface of the wheel can result in scratches.
7. Do not use synthetic cleaning pads.
8. Do not use wire brushes to remove dirt or grime from the wheel surfaces.
9. Do not use strong detergents, alkaline or acidic cleaners to clean a ProShield XGT® aluminum wheel.
10. Do not use strong solvents to remove grease or grime from the surface of the wheel.
11. Do not allow soap solution to dry on the surface of the wheel.
12. Do not use polishes or wax on ProShield XGT® aluminum wheels. The finish will maintain the protective surface for years to come without the need for special polishes.

Handling:

Always use the following handling precautions during tire changes:

1. When changing tires manually, always place the tire/wheel assembly on a protective pad such as a piece of carpet. Do not lay the wheel on pavement or concrete.
2. Always use tire tools and tire irons with protective ends designed for protecting alloy wheels.
3. Always use tire tools in good repair with no burrs or sharp edges.
4. Only use tire-changing machines equipped with mount/demounting tools with protective plastic cushions designed for protecting alloy wheels.
5. Avoid “dry-wiping” brake dust and other debris on appearance surfaces.
6. Use only non-solvent-based products specifically designed as tire bead lubricants and avoid splashing lubes on the appearance surfaces. (See TMC RP 205 for more information)

For technical assistance contact Accuride Field Engineering at (800) 869-2275. Or visit us online at www.accuridecorp.com.

ATTENTION: To avoid accidents, OSHA regulations require employers to train their personnel who service multi-piece and single-piece rims/wheels. Contact your local OSHA area office or Accuride for safety information and charts. For free safety manuals, charts and videos write to Accuride Corporation, 38777 Six Mile Road, Suite 410, Livonia, MI 48152. Or visit us on the web at www.accuridecorp.com. For more information on Accuride Wheels call (800) 823-8332.

