



This bulletin defines what chemicals are acceptable for cleaning stubborn stains, sealant, or strippable film from the surface of AEP Span roof or wall panels.

STUBBORN STAINS OR SEALANT

AEP Span recognizes the following chemical solutions to be used to removed stains while not adversely affecting the paint coatings:

- **Prep® Prep™ 400***
<https://www.ppgpaints.com/products/duraprep-prep400-overspray-remover>
- **Denatured Alcohol**
- **Mineral Spirits**
- **Naptha** (Not available in California)
- **WD-40®**

Note: A small panel area should be initially selected to determine what the best course of action should be before larger panel areas are subjected to cleaning using these methods.

PEEL COAT (STRIPPABLE FILM)

Prolonged exposure to UV, heat or cold may make removal of the factory applied peel coat difficult.

AEP Span stresses the importance of removing peel coat as soon as possible after receiving products to ensure easy film removal. Prolonged UV exposure, wet conditions or long-term panel storage with film applied will likely make removal very difficult.

For detailed guidelines on removing peel coat or left-over residue see ***Technical Bulletin #15 Peel Coat Guidelines and Best Practices.***

* DuraPrep Prep™400 not compatible with Polyester and Silicon Modified Polyester (SMP) coatings.