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Taking Care of Your Laminate Countertop

Your laminate countertop is designed for beauty and durability, however, it can be damaged by abuse or carelessness.

To enjoy the benefit of your countertop year after year here are a few suggestions:

- Clean your countertop with a damp cloth or sponge and a mild soap or detergent. Difficult stains can be removed using a mild household cleaner and a soft bristle brush.
- Never use cleaners containing acid, alkali or sodium hypochlorite.
- Hair, textile and food dyes can cause permanent stains. Wipe up immediately and rinse several times with water.
- Never place pots or dishes directly from the oven or burner on an unprotected laminate surface; such extreme heat can cause cracking or blistering.
- Be careful with electric heat sources such as kettles, skillets, waffle irons, curling irons, etc.
- Avoid ironing or placing a hot iron on laminate surfaces.
- Ceramic and abrasive objects can cause scratching and premature wear.
- Do not chop slice, pound or hammer on a laminate surface. Sharp utensils may slice or scratch the surface. Heavy blows may crack or gouge the surface.
- Do not place lighted cigarettes directly on laminate surfaces.
- Do not flood the laminate surface, especially near seams (mitres, butt joints), since water can penetrate the seam and cause the substrate to swell. **Your countertop is water-resistant not waterproof!** It is recommended that the seams be sealed with clear silicone after installation.