

Brass Handle Care & Maintenance Guide

Functional 98 Brass Handles

Material: CW508L Brass (High-Purity Alpha Brass) **Product:** Functional 98 Brass Handles

Introduction

Thank you for choosing our Functional 98 brass handles, manufactured from high-quality CW508L brass. This alloy offers excellent formability and a naturally elegant appearance. Over time, solid brass will naturally develop a patina unless regularly polished.

This guide explains how to clean, maintain, and protect your brass handles to ensure long-lasting beauty and performance.

Routine Cleaning

Regular care will help your brass handles maintain their appearance and minimise tarnish.

Light Cleaning

- Wipe handles weekly with a soft, dry microfiber cloth to remove fingerprints, oils, and dust.
- For deeper routine cleaning, use:
 - A bowl of warm water with a few drops of mild dish soap.
 - Dampen a soft cloth and gently wipe the surface.
- Dry thoroughly to prevent water spots and moisture-based tarnishing.

Important Notes

Avoid abrasive pads, scouring sponges, or harsh chemicals.

Do not use or expose the handle to bleach, ammonia, or strong acidic cleaners.

Dry handles immediately if splashed with water. In kitchens or bathrooms, clean more frequently due to higher humidity.

Removing Tarnish

Brass naturally oxidises and may dull over time. This is normal for solid brass.

Natural Methods

Lemon & Baking Soda Paste

- Mix a small amount of fresh lemon juice with baking soda to form a paste.
- Apply with a soft cloth and rub gently.
- Rinse with warm water and dry thoroughly.

Vinegar-Based Cleanser (Mild)

- Lightly dampen a soft cloth with diluted white vinegar.
- Wipe gently, then rinse and dry completely.

Commercial Brass Cleaner

A brass-specific polish can be used when a bright, polished finish is desired.

Apply a small amount to a soft cloth.

Buff gently in the direction of the grain.

Remove all residue and polish to a shine.

Long-Term Protection

Wax Coating

After cleaning or polishing, apply a thin coat of beeswax or metal-preserving wax to slow future tarnishing.

Maintenance Schedule

Weekly

Light wipe with dry microfiber cloth.

Monthly

Gentle clean with mild soapy water, dry thoroughly.

Every 3–6 Months

Apply natural polish or brass cleaner if desired.

Reapply wax coating if used.

As Needed

Remove tarnish using natural or commercial methods.

Inspect for moisture exposure or chemical contact.

Safety & Handling

Always test any cleaner on a small, hidden section first.

Keep polishes and chemicals out of reach of children.

Wear gloves when using commercial polishing products.

Thank You

We hope you enjoy your new brass handles. With proper care, CW508L brass will develop a rich, elegant character and last for many years. If you have any questions, please contact our support team.