

## BEYOND CLEANABLE

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Keeping surfaces clean is more important than ever, and it has always been important to Crypton. But Crypton goes beyond clean.

Crypton offers multi-tiered defense with a 5-year warranty, its antimicrobial & stain-resistant technology and an integrated, permanent liquid barrier. Its patented moisture barrier is proven to prevent solids and liquids from permeating to the cushion below – allowing Crypton fabric to be cleaned *and* disinfected.

Crypton differs from other fabrics that can only be cleaned using machine washing and drying. It can be spot-cleaned with a dry cloth, water, or soap and water. Save time, water, energy and money with spot-cleaning.

Clean is good but disinfected is better. While cleaning and disinfecting are sometimes performed in the same step, there are noteworthy differences. Cleaning is the apparent removal of liquid and food contaminants, while disinfecting is the elimination / killing of microorganisms that can survive in the presence of moisture and food sources that are not visible to the human eye. It is possible for a surface to appear clean but *not* be disinfected.

To disinfect Crypton, the disinfectant must remain on the fabric for a period of time. The time required varies by active ingredient and the type of microorganism, though 5 to 10 minutes is typical. Be sure to use a trusted brand of disinfectant and follow the manufacturer's instructions. Directions to clean and disinfect Crypton fabric with liquid barrier:

1. Remove spills with an absorbent cloth or paper towel. If needed, clean heavily soiled areas with soap and water and rinse with water.
2. Remove excess moisture and soap via vacuum extraction or wiping with a clean, dry cloth. Remove all soap so that it does not attract soil.
3. Disinfect Crypton by applying solution according to the manufacturer's instructions for disinfecting a non-porous surface. Each fiber must be wetted out by the disinfectant.
4. The disinfectant must remain on the fabric according to the manufacturer's instructions. Following the required dwell time, rinse with water and wipe dry.

While some cleaners and disinfectants can destroy normal fabrics, Crypton fabrics with liquid barriers have been tested for durability to a wide variety of commercial-grade cleaners and disinfectants. See the attached document for a list of reviewed cleaners and disinfectants.

Crypton offers the ability to clean and disinfect your fabric – ensuring permanent resistance to odors, mold and mildew, making Crypton the sustainable choice to help protect both your environment and your investment.

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