



Welcome to  
your new home



## A guide to looking after your blinds and curtains

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# Welcome

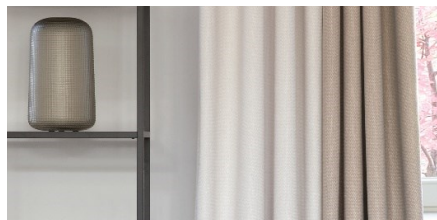
As you settle into your new home we would like to pass on some advice on how to look after your curtains and blinds. Following some simple guidelines will help to keep everything looking great for years to come.

Your window dressings have been supplied and fitted by Designer Contracts. We trust you will be totally satisfied with the products and installation.

However, if you do have any concerns you can get in touch with us directly at [Service@DesignerContracts.com](mailto:Service@DesignerContracts.com) or contact your local regional office listed below.

Following these guidelines should ensure that all curtains and blinds can be properly cleaned, however we cannot be held responsible for the results of any cleaning.

Please remember that shades may vary from dye lot to dye lot. Every attempt will be made in making sure that colours in our pattern book remain consistent with the finished product, but we cannot guarantee that these samples will be an exact match.



## Blinds

### Roman blinds

Vacuum with the upholstery attachment. Occasionally, blinds can be dry cleaned, but never washed. Take care to remove the fabric from the headrail (taking note of how the cords are threaded) and take out the rods and bottom bar before cleaning.

### Metal Venetian blinds

Close the slats and gently clean with a feather duster, short haired brush or a soft cloth. If slats are very dirty you can use a damp cloth (avoid excess water). The use of detergents is not advised.

### Wood Venetian blinds

Close the slats and gently clean with a feather duster, short haired brush or a soft cloth. If slats are very dirty you can use a damp cloth. Excessive moisture can make the wood warp. The use of detergents is not advised.

### Faux Wood Venetian blinds

Close the slats and gently clean with a feather duster, short haired brush or a soft cloth. If the slats are very dirty you can use a damp cloth and mild soap or detergent solution.

### Roller blinds

Fabrics with the exception of metallic ones can be cleaned gently with a slightly damp cloth or sponge. Do not scrub or rub hard. Contact with excess water could cause the fabric to detach from the tube.

## Vertical blinds

The slats can be cleaned gently with a damp cloth.

For all blinds please be aware that if any metal components are not dried properly after cleaning, a risk of rusting can result



## Curtains

Regular care is the key to maintaining the appearance and character of any textiles. All curtains can be dry cleaned (we recommend that you use a retail outlet that specialises in the cleaning of furnishing fabrics). Before cleaning, ensure any drawstrings are loosened and all removable fittings including hooks are removed and retained.

To minimise dry cleaning, curtains can be cleaned regularly with the upholstery attachment of a vacuum cleaner.

We recommend that curtains are never hand or machine washed.

In everyday use keep curtains away from the window pane to avoid contact with any condensation and run fingers along the natural folds of the curtain to tease pleats into position.

Hems and sides should never be pressed as this will distort the curtains.

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