

LEATHER CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Turnstyle Designs uses only full grain, vegetable tanned bridal leather. The tanning process means that colour is natural and runs throughout the hide and the hide is protected by its natural oils. Long exposure to direct strong sunlight and leaving dust on the leather will eventually dry it out, we suggest a six monthly application of leather wax/cream in these situations. Otherwise the daily use with oils in ones hands will keep the leather supple and well fed.

Like all natural materials leather will change/ patinate with use and age, this is a natural part of the maturing process and adds character, these changes must be allowed for.

FOR GENERAL DIRT, DUST AND FOOD ETC:

Wipe with a damp cloth, mild soap solution (1 part to 12 parts water), wipe off excess water and allow to air dry naturally, (NB. Do not force dry with hair dryer etc). then apply some neutral leather wax/cream if required.

FOR ALCOHOL STAINS, OIL ETC

these will not be able to be removed as above, contact Turnstyle Designs for special leather cleaning kits/ solutions.

FOR DENTS/MARKS

these may be "worked out" or reduced by "boning", using preferably, a bone handle as found on some cutlery or a smooth rounded surface such as the back of a tea spoon. Work in gentle circular motions on the mark and around the rest of the leather to smooth the surface bringing the oils back to the surface and thus improve knocks, scratches indents.

NEVER:

Clean with abrasives, or solvents of any kind

APPLYING YOUR OWN LEATHER WAX/CREAM:

If applying your own product, please test on an area of leather not likely to be seen, such as the underside, to test for colour changing, before waxing the whole handle.

For the metal sections of the handles/fittings, a dry cloth will normally bring back the sheen, or if very dirty use a small amount of WD40 or alternative metal or chrome cleaner and dry off afterwards, being careful not get it on the leather.

For any further information please do not hesitate to contact us on the numbers below, or email us : info@turnstyledesigns.com