



Wheel Finishes and Care

Original equipment and Aftermarket wheels come in many colors and finishes: chrome, painted, polished, machined, machined/painted and clear-coated, just to name a few.

Regional weather conditions, road environments and compatibility with your driving style can all affect a wheel's finish. Care and maintenance are important to the life and appearance of your wheel investment. Please follow these helpful tips in keeping the high luster and finish of your custom wheels.

- Regular cleaning is very important to remove road grime, brake dust, chemicals and road salts. These materials trap moisture against the finish surface causing corrosion of the wheel finish. Pitting, peeling, and discoloration are common effects of corrosion.
- For harsh climates, we suggest that you retain your original equipment wheels for optional use in the wintertime.
- Generally speaking, from week to week during your car wash cycle, it's best to clean them with a soft brush or cloth. Never use harsh products or cleaners as it will damage the wheel's finish.
- Use mild soap and water or a non-caustic wheel cleaner. Select cleaning products that are safe for the finish of your wheels. **BEWARE:** some car washes use strong chemicals to clean tires and wheels that could damage the wheel finish.
- Never clean hot wheels! Allow wheels to cool or cool them with running water before cleaning.
- A good coat of wax to seal the wheel's finish will help to maintain the appearance and protect.
- These tips apply for all normal wheel finishes. **Note: Polished wheel finishes have no coating and require the most care in order to maintain their bright shine.**

Protect your investment—clean and maintain your wheels regularly.

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