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## Care and Maintenance

Your Plissé retractable screen is designed for many years of trouble-free use. With a minimum of simple maintenance, you can enjoy the benefits of your Plissé screen for as long as you own it.

### **Keep your Plissé Screen retracted when not in use.**

Plissé Screens are intended to be used as an insect screen and stored in the retracted position when not needed. Plissé Screens are not intended to be used as a fixed screen or solar screen.

To function properly the Plissé Screen depends on the “memory” of the pleated fabric. If it is left in the un-retracted position for long periods of time the fabric will begin to lose the memory of its folds and start to sag. This will make it difficult to retract and could eventually lead to failure of the fabric assembly.

If stored away when not needed the Plissé fabric assembly can last a lifetime. The best rule of thumb is if the door or window is closed the Plissé should be retracted. Should you go off on vacation and forget to retract your Plissé Screen do not worry. When you return if the fabric has started to relax carefully retract the screen making sure that the fabric goes into the housing properly. Leave the screen retracted for several days or longer if needed to give the fabric time to “remember”.

### **Take care in cleaning the Plissé.**

Keep the bottom rail free from dirt, sand, leaves, insects and other debris which can cause the Plissé Screen not to operate properly and in extreme cases damage the fabric or cording which will void the warranty. We recommend regular vacuuming of the bottom rail, especially if your Plisse Screen is mounted on an RV or Trailer. This will keep the Plissé Screen operating smoothly for years.

In order to clean any the aluminum parts use with a mild detergent or glass cleaner.

The most stubborn marks and slight scratches can be removed with a cleaning product similar to the Magic Eraser by Mr. Clean.

The fabric may be cleaned in the un-retracted position with a vacuum using a soft brush attachment or you can carefully spray it with a garden hose to remove dust.

## Use only dry Teflon spray to lubricate the Plissé.

If lubrication is ever necessary, spray the rails with a dry Teflon spray. You can find this product at any Home Improvement Center or hardware store. Look for a lubricant that contains PTFE which is the chemical abbreviation for Teflon. Never use any type of oil. Oil can damage the moving parts and will void the warranty.

## Adjust the tension of the Plissé if necessary.

(You will need the 2.5mm Allen Wrench that came with the screen assembly to adjust the tension.)

If after a while your Plissé Screen does not stay completely closed when in use it may be necessary to adjust the tension. Make sure to keep just enough tension on the lines so that when in the unretracted position the seal makes good contact with the frame. In the case of a double screen, one side/panel should make good contact with the other side/panel.

Do not over tension the lines as this will make the screen difficult to operate. The top tension lines should be just tight enough to keep them from sagging and the bottom lines should be equally tight. If the screen closes unevenly; when the bottom is closed and the top is a bit open tighten the tension on the top tension lines and the opposite if the bottom is a bit open when the top is closed.

To adjust the Tension follow the directions below:

**Single Screens:** To tighten, loosen the set screw and slide the tension blocks toward the housing unit where it retracts. To loosen the tension, slide the tension blocks away from the housing unit or where it retracts.

**Double Screens:** To tighten, loosen the set screw and slide the tension blocks away from the housing unit. To loosen, slide tension blocks toward the housing unit.

**Note:** Small adjustments are best. Move the tension blocks 1/8" or less at a time and test after each adjustment.

**DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN SET SCREWS. THIS MAY CAUSE A FAILURE AND YOU MAY NEED TO REPLACE THE TENSION BLOCK OR SET SCREW.**



# Part Identification Diagram

