

- INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL CATEGORIES OF BARRIERS -

● MAINTENANCE

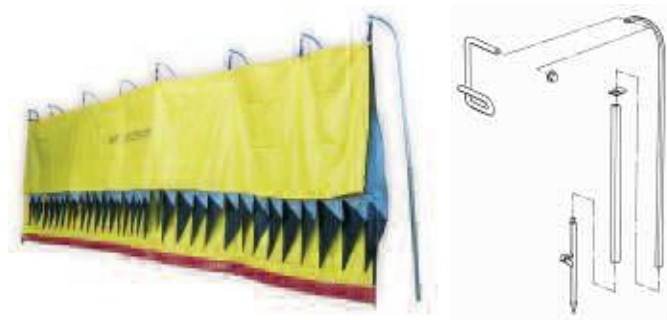
It is strongly recommended to wash and dry the water barrier before storing it. This allows you to check for any damages that may have occurred during use. Cleaning the product with a pressure washer is strongly recommended. Dirt and trapped in humidity do not affect the quality or the resistance of the barrier, but could lead to unpleasant smells when the barrier is used again.

To clean the barrier, hang it by the rear since it is equipped with at least one rear strap every 1.52 m/5 feet. A fence or sides of a garage are excellent places to wash and dry the barrier. You simply have to install hooks on the top of your fence or on the edge of the garage. One hook will be required for each rear strap.



If you plan on making continuous intensive use of the barrier, you will need to have the right equipment for proper maintenance. Adjustable poles are available for barriers with a water retention level of less than 71 cm/28 inches. These poles make it easier to hang up the barrier. All you need to do is fasten the back of the barrier at shoulder height, and then extend the poles above your hands. One pole will be required for each strap.

To measure the exact distance required to install the hooks or the adjustable poles, we suggest unrolling the barrier next to the place you've chosen for washing and placing a hook facing each rear strap.



● REPAIRS

In the event that your barrier is damaged in any way, we suggest you get it repaired by professionals who are used to working with this kind of material. Take your barrier to a business that usually works with canopies, canvas truck covers, tents or car shelters. This could even be your local shoe repair store. Repairs can vary in cost depending on the damages incurred.

1. For the WA and WL categories, if there's a tear or perforation in the PVC canvas, several methods can be used. These include contact cement for PVC, ultrasonic or thermal gluing, or sewing to another piece of material.
2. For the WP category and the partitions of all categories, if there's a tear or perforation in the polyethylene fabric, repairs are limited to sewing to another piece of fabric or applying adhesive tape specially made for that purpose.
3. If one or more partitions are torn along the seams, it could be very difficult and maybe even impossible to repair such damages. However, for the WA and WL categories, you can cut your barrier in half, pull out the ripped or damaged partitions, and glue your barrier back together.

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● **STORAGE**

The barriers can be piled one on top of the other, upright or flat, without this hampering their deployment. However, storing the barrier in a vertical position is highly recommended to maintain its shape when rolled up. We don't recommend setting the barrier directly on a damp surface. It is best to lay it on a wooden pallet.

If there is water trapped inside the barrier during storage, this will not affect product longevity as long as the water is dirt free. Fallen leaves and other waste material left inside the barrier can damage and dry up the fabric, thus reducing the useful life of the barrier. When the barrier is properly washed and stored, it does not emit any smells. However, improper cleaning and storage may lead to some unpleasant smells when the barrier is deployed once again.

Every barrier should be kept in its storage bag or crate for protection against UV rays, dirt, and damages, as well as easier handling during transport.

As far as rodents are concerned, they are not attracted to polymer canvas and will not chew this type of material.