

STEK recommends hand-washing cars protected with PPF. If using a high-pressure washer keep the nozzle at least 36" away and avoid spraying the edges of the PPF directly. Test any wax or after-market sealant before applying to the PPF. Extremely hydrophobic PPF topcoats like HYDROphobe® on DYNOshield® may interfere with application of wax or other coatings. Do not use pigmented or abrasive waxes or waxes containing naphtha or kerosene. Do not use any abrasive pads or harsh chemicals on the film. Remove contamination (bird droppings, tar, bugs) as soon as possible to avoid any staining or damage to the film, stubborn stains can be removed with isopropyl alcohol. Avoid using isopropyl alcohol in direct sunlight or if the film is hot.

STEK top coated paint protection film (PPF) has a self-healing ability so light scratches can be removed by hot water or the use of a heat gun over the affected area. Note that if a scratch penetrates the topcoat, it will not self heal. Using automated car washes increases the likelihood of surface scratches penetrating the top coat. This is a characteristic of any top coated PPF.

The HYDROphobe® top coat of STEK products creates water beads for a self cleaning effect and easy maintenance. We recommend drying the water beads off of the film after rain or wash if in warm weather or sunlight to avoid water spotting.

The melting point of TPU (PPF) is 175 degrees Celsius or 347 degrees Fahrenheit.

The following **How to Maintain STEK Clear Bra FAQ** covers best practices for caring for STEK top-coated thermal polyurethane (TPU) paint protection films. STEK strongly recommends that you follow these guidelines to ensure best results:

How do I wash STEK?

Hand wash with a "Ceramic Coating" friendly shampoo such as STEK Shampoo. Rinseless washes are also safe.

How do I dry STEK?

Microfiber drying towel or chamois.

How do I clean (clay) STEK?

Avoid using "Clay" it can mar the finish, get caught in edges and discolor the Clear Bra. The two contaminants that deteriorate a Clear Bra are Road Tar and Iron Oxide and two great chemical decontaminates for this are STEK Tar and STEK Iron.

How do I polish (wax) STEK?

STEK Finish is a great sealant that will help bring back gloss and hydrophobicity. There is no need to polish STEK but if a major problem arises talk to us, we do have STEK Fusion, a professional only polish that can fix minor water spotting.

What specific products should be used to maintain STEK?

Treat STEK like a "Ceramic Coating" using Ceramic Coating friendly products.

What products should I NOT use to maintain STEK?

Do NOT use... Detergents containing waxes, sealants or silicone.

What should I NOT do?

If something looks unusual, please ask.

