

Information Sheet



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Stainless Steel Soap Dispensers Correct Soap Usage/Application.

Lavco Industries Pty Ltd Item No's LV1SD-01/02/03/04/05/06/08/09/17. Depicted below is an image from the outer packaging of a Lavco Stainless Steel Soap Dispenser. This indicates that "anhydrous" liquid soap must be used – in plain English, the liquid soap must be completely devoid of water. Most reputable commercial brands of liquid soap are anhydrous and use a base material of either vegetable or coconut oils. Unfortunately, this packaging instruction is usually discarded after installation; nevertheless, it is incumbent on the janitorial service provider to ensure that the appropriate soaps are used in these type products. **WHY DO SS SOAP DISPENSERS RUST?** It is the presence of water which will cause rust in stainless steel, and Lavco believes that this is most likely the primary cause of any corrosion in a SS soap dispenser, and regrettably then exacerbated by inadequate maintenance i.e. regular wipe-off of the surfaces or cleaning of the reservoir. One other aspect to note re the possible cause is that some inexpensive, imported soap's have what are referred to as "activators" (to make them foam) and in some cases it has been found that this material is either an oxide or ferrite component. Both of these are basically "metal", and although in extremely small volumes, they can also cause rust to appear over time. Lavco has distributed/sold thousands of these Stainless Steel soap dispensers into the commercial sectors in the Australian market over many years and has found that the product will last several years without issue, provided that the correct consumables are used and basic maintenance (cleaning) is undertaken at least monthly and more thoroughly (reservoir) at least bi-annually.



These units should only be installed by a competent tradesperson and Lavco Industries takes no responsibility for any damage to walls or fixtures due to incorrect installation.