OTTER CREEK AWNINGS USE AND CARE OF YOUR AWNING

The life and look of your awnings depends a great deal on the way you use them, and how often you care for them. Your awning is made of the highest quality materials available.

Even the most durable materials require a certain amount of care, and fabric awnings are no exception. However, with only the minimum amount of attention, your awning will remain bright and serviceable for a long period of time. Following these suggestions and tips can preserve the life and beauty of an awning.

DO keep your awning clean. This is the best protection against mildew. Even on mildew-resistant fabric, mildew can grow on accumulated dirt or foreign materials, which will remain on the top and bottom surface and eventually stain the fabric.

DO hose your awning down occasionally, every month or so with a garden hose. We recommend doing this on a hot sunny day.

DO keep the underside of your awning free from spiders, cobwebs, and bird nests. Simply brush with a household broom. Hose down and brush as needed. Mildew will not grow on a clean awning.

DO keep shrubbery and vines away from the awning, as many bushes contain an acid, which can be harmful to your awnings.

DO NOT wait until your awning is too dirty.

DO NOT allow water to stand on the awning causing pocketing and possible stretching.

DO NOT overlook small rips or tears. In most cases small rips and tears can be handled on site with a repair tape manufactured for the different types of fabric.

DO NOT wash your awning with a detergent or strong solution or scrub with an abrasive cleaner.

DO NOT permit leaves or twigs to stain the fabric.

CLEANING RESOURCES:

For a recommendation on a professional awning cleaner, call Otter Creek Awnings at 802-864-3009 or 1-888-284-4680.