

# SAFETY

When removing graffiti, it is important to take precautions to ensure your safety and the safety of those around you.

- Ensure that you are familiar with the Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) and always follow the directions on the product.
- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment, such as gloves and safety glasses or goggles.
- Only use chemicals in a well-ventilated area.
- Keep chemicals away from children and animals.
- If removal activity takes place in a public area, ensure appropriate warning signage is utilised and secured.
- Ensure all areas to be cleaned are free from loose debris.
- Do not allow paint or chemical run-off or flakes to enter the waterways or drainage system as this can damage the environment.

It is recommended that professionals are hired to remove graffiti from hard to reach, valuable or sensitive surfaces.

All contact with chemicals, tools and personal safety are the responsibility of the person/s actioning graffiti removal. WA Police Force accepts no responsibility for any injury or accident which may occur during graffiti removal activity.

Report graffiti vandalism online at [www.goodbyegrffiti.wa.gov.au/Report-Graffiti](http://www.goodbyegrffiti.wa.gov.au/Report-Graffiti).

If graffiti is racist or obscene, or you witness someone doing graffiti, **please call Police on 131 444.**

To contact the WA Police Force Graffiti Team, email [graffiti@police.wa.gov.au](mailto:graffiti@police.wa.gov.au)

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# GRAFFITI REMOVAL

## QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

To help remove graffiti from your property, this quick reference guide outlines recommended removal methods for different surfaces.

When removing graffiti:

- Ensure you always follow the manufacturer's instructions and safety advice for any chemicals and/or equipment you intend to use.
- Test preferred chemical agent on a small area to check for any adverse reaction or damage; if no adverse reaction, apply to all affected areas.

SURFACE	STEP 1		STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4	STEP 5
PAINTED BRICK	➔ Paint over	OR	Apply graffiti remover in small amounts	Rub with a soft cloth or brush	Wash off	When dry repeat steps 2-4 until removed
UNPAINTED BRICK	➔ Apply graffiti remover		Wait the product-recommended time	Rub with a stiff brush	Wash off or water blast	When dry repeat steps 1-4 until removed
COLORBOND FENCE	➔ Paint over	OR	Apply graffiti remover in small amounts	Rub with a soft brush	Wash off straight away	When dry repeat steps 2-4 until removed
UNPAINTED WOODEN FENCE	➔ Use sander, sand paper or scraper	OR	Apply graffiti remover	Rub with a stiff brush	Wash off or water blast	When dry repeat steps 2-4 until removed
PAINTED WOODEN FENCE	➔ Paint over	OR	Apply graffiti remover	Rub with a soft brush	Wash off straight away	When dry repeat steps 2-4 until removed
PLASTIC RUBBISH BINS	➔ Apply graffiti remover		Rub with a stiff brush	Wash off	When dry repeat steps 1-3 until removed	
STEEL AND ALUMINUM	➔ Apply graffiti remover		Rub with a stiff brush	Wash off	When dry repeat steps 1-3 until removed	
GLASS	➔ Use blade scraper for aerosol paint	OR	Apply graffiti remover	Rub with a soft brush	Wash off	When dry repeat steps 2-4 until removed
PATHWAYS OR DRIVEWAYS	➔ Apply graffiti remover		Wait the product-recommended time	Rub with a stiff brush	Wash off or water blast	When dry repeat steps 1-4 until removed
TILES	➔ Apply graffiti remover		Rub with a stiff brush or non-scratch scourer	Wash off	When dry repeat steps 1-3 until removed	
SIGNS	➔ Apply graffiti remover in small amounts		Rub with a soft brush	Wash off straight away	When dry repeat steps 1-3 until removed	
FIBRO-CEMENT ("SUPER-SIX") FENCES	➔ Paint out entire sheet/s		When dry apply another coat if required	Repeat steps 1 and 2 until removed		