
Subject: Black Detail Cleaning
Posted by [ana](#) on Wed, 20 Jul 2011 22:55:10 GMT
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Hi guys, I may be helping out with a last minute Black Detail cleaning job for a friend. Does anyone have any tips on the best way to go about it? Methods, cleaning solutions, whatever...

Thanks

Subject: Re: Black Detail Cleaning
Posted by [BillBedford](#) on Wed, 20 Jul 2011 23:08:20 GMT
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Soak it in caustic soda, for about 20 minutes to get rid of the support material. Then you can use fine wet and dry if there is any stepping.

If you don't like the idea of caustic soda you can use ammonia, but it will take longer to work.

Subject: Re: Black Detail Cleaning
Posted by [ana](#) on Wed, 20 Jul 2011 23:11:06 GMT
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Ah, thanks Bill! Is this something you've tried before?

Subject: Re: Black Detail Cleaning
Posted by [BillBedford](#) on Wed, 20 Jul 2011 23:32:59 GMT
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Yep. I had one batch of detail that still had all the support stuff left on, yeuch horrible stuff.....

Subject: Re: Black Detail Cleaning
Posted by [stop4stuff](#) on Thu, 21 Jul 2011 07:39:57 GMT

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+1 to caustic soda (sodium hydroxide/lye), make the water slightly warm and the support material dissolves away, you might need to give small detail areas a scrub with an old toothbrush though.
