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NEWSLETTER



Are You Seeing Spots!?

This time of year we receive a flood of phone calls from individuals interested in getting various parts chrome plated. Some of these calls are from car enthusiasts who want to chrome plate their **classic car bumpers**. (WE LOVE THESE CALLS!!)

However, other calls are from car owners who have noticed "rust" stains on their **plastic grilles and moldings**. They are curious to know if we can chrome plate plastic. Unfortunately, our process destroys plastic parts.

These stains are the direct result of **Magnesium Chloride**, the liquid deicer used by CDOT. Ironically enough, the **OEM's are denying warranty claims** on brand new cars by classifying this damage as "**environmental**." Apparently this type of damage is directly correlated to the regional use of liquid deicers.

Following are some ways you can temporarily remove these stains and help prevent them from coming back:

1. Pour a solution of one part white distilled vinegar and one part cold water into a spray bottle. Spray a generous amount of the diluted vinegar onto the stained chrome and let it sit for five to 10 minutes. This allows the magnesium chloride to be absorbed and dissolve in the solution. Blot the chrome dry using a lint-free cloth.
2. For more stubborn stains: Mix 1/2 cup each of flour, salt and white vinegar to form a paste. Gently rub the paste onto the chrome surface, and then leave it on for at least one hour. Use a soft bristled brush - such as a toothbrush—to clean up the paste, and wipe the surface clean with a dry cloth.
3. Wax or chrome polish the entire part to establish a barrier to help prevent further corrosion. Any of the popular brands you see at your local auto supply store will work.
4. "**An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure!**" Wash your car frequently during the winter months. Scrubbing away the magnesium chloride will prevent the stains from ever appearing.

Here at Collins Collision Products we desire to set the standard in customer service and product knowledge. Furthermore, all products we manufacture carry a **Lifetime Warranty**. Have any questions?? Contact us at: sales@collinscollision.com

Remember, for every cooling fan or grille purchased, you will receive a super-cool *Collins Collision Products* t-shirt!! This is one of our most popular promotions, so make sure you get your cooling fans and grilles from the supplier you know and trust. (While supplies last).



Ask your sales rep for more details.

Collins Cup !!



Collins Collision Products continues our contest to pick winners and accumulate points for NAS-

CAR Sprint Cup Series races. For each race listed, you will be asked to pick 2 drivers. Points are awarded based on one or both of your drivers finishing in the top 10. A first place finish earns 15 points, a second place finish earns 10 points, third place earns 5 points, and a fourth through tenth place finish earns 2 points. Prizes will be awarded on a monthly basis, and there will be over-all winners, as well.



The next 4 races in our contest are:

- June 13—Michigan

- June 20—Infineon

- June 27— New Hampshire

- July 3—Daytona

Name _____

Shop _____

Good Luck, Everyone!!!



Be sure to ask your sales rep how you can earn free extra points for your Collins Cup entry!!!

We Have Winners!!!

Congratulations to our last three monthly NASCAR contest winners. Dana, from O'Meara, had 55 points for the last 4 races. For her success, she won a \$75 gift card for the Outback Steakhouse!! Coming in 2nd, with 52 points, was Brandon at Kar Kare. He received a \$50 gift card. In the third spot was Alan at CRC Carstar, with 50 points. For his effort, he won a \$25 gift card. Great job, folks, and good luck!!

A cockroach will live nine days without its head before it starves to death.

(Creepy.)

If you yelled for 8 years, 7 months and 6 days you would have produced enough sound energy to heat one cup of coffee.

(Hardly seems worth it.)

Banging your head against a wall uses 150 calories an hour. *(I should be thinner!)*



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