



## CARING FOR YOUR NEW SHADEMASTER® PRODUCT

### (1) HOSE DOWN

A regular hose-down, once a month or so, is an important maintenance step for your SHADEMASTER® Shelter System. With one quick spray you will remove most of the surface dirt created by dust or rain residue. Special attention should be directed at areas that miss the rain, like eaves, awnings and under verandahs.

If you have a Screened Enclosure, hosing the screening regularly will prevent grime building up in the mesh.

### (2) WASH AWAY

You can wash away stubborn surface grime with a soft brush or sponge soaked in warm water or detergent. Use regular dishwashing liquid, one teaspoon in four litres of water. To be most effective, you should change the water frequently and wipe over a second time with clean towelling to remove any smears.

Best results occur when washing is undertaken in the shade.

### (3) REMOVE MOULD

Areas constantly damp (for instance, on walls behind shrubbery on the south side of your house) could suffer from the formation of mould. You can remove the mould with a solution of household bleach and water, at a ratio of 3:1. Rub the solution onto the surface with a soft sponge, leave for 10-20 minutes, then rinse off with clean water.

When dry, you should rinse once more with clean water.

### (4) CLEAN GUTTERS

Gutters should be kept free of leaves and dirt build-up. For the Shelter System enclosed gutter, this can usually be done by inserting a hose in the water outlet and washing leaves to one end, then removing them. The gutter corner cap can be detached if there is an especially large build-up (in a very 'leafy' section it would be worthwhile to ask your supplier to fit leaf guards).