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HOW DO HOTELS KEEP GLASS SHOWER DOORS CLEAN?



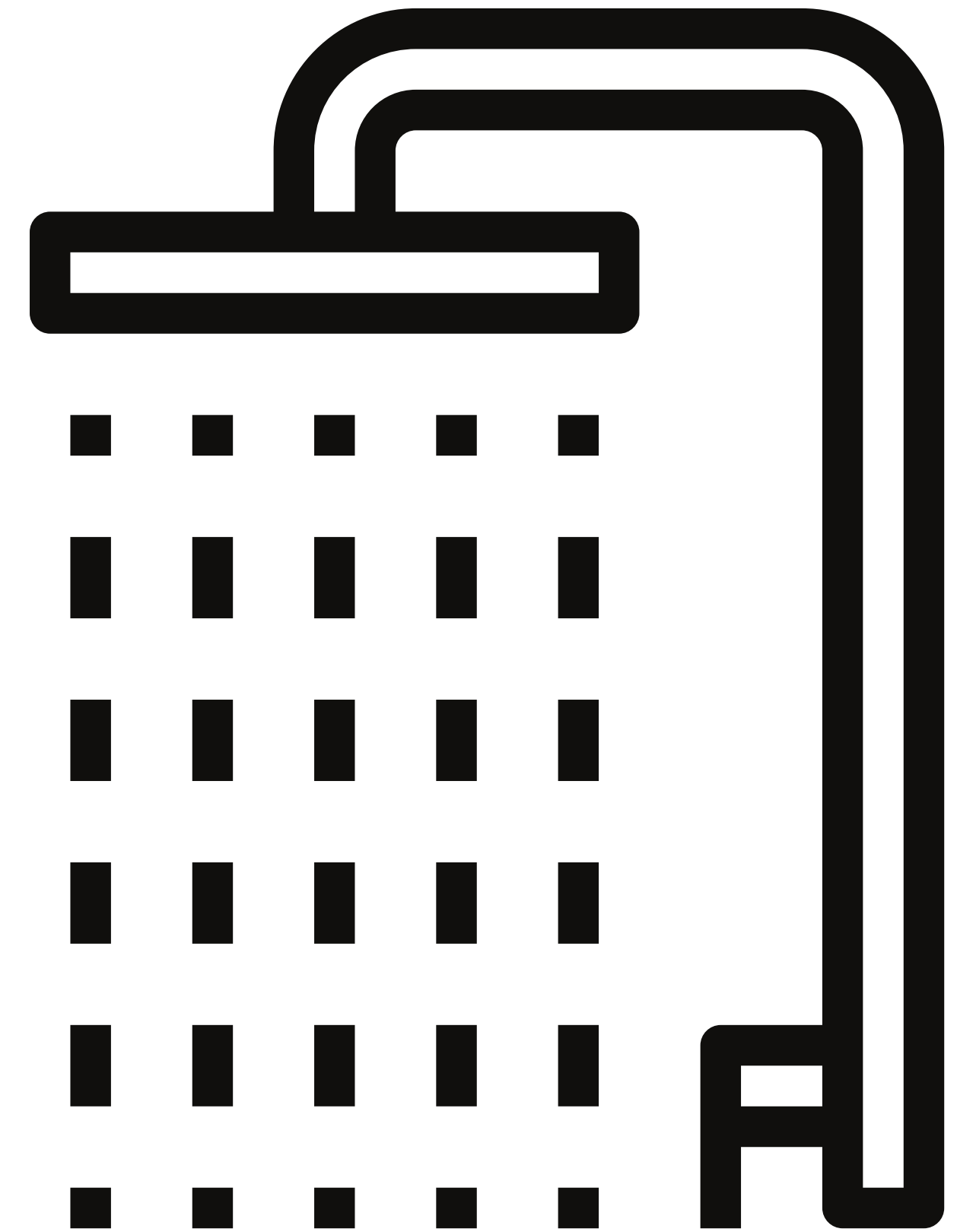
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INTRODUCTION

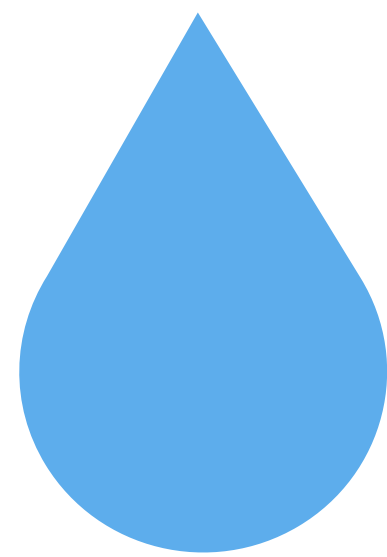
There are numerous details to attend to when keeping a hotel clean; one of these includes cleaning glass shower doors. Though with a build-up of soap, dirt and water, cleaning these surfaces is no easy feat. So, hotels need to make sure they are using the highest-grade cleaning materials to guarantee they can keep their shower doors free from bacteria and dirt as efficiently and effectively as possible.

The following ebook will showcase how hotel managers and cleaning staff can quickly remove residue without compromising the quality of their cleaning tasks.



WHAT MAKES SHOWER DOORS DIRTY?

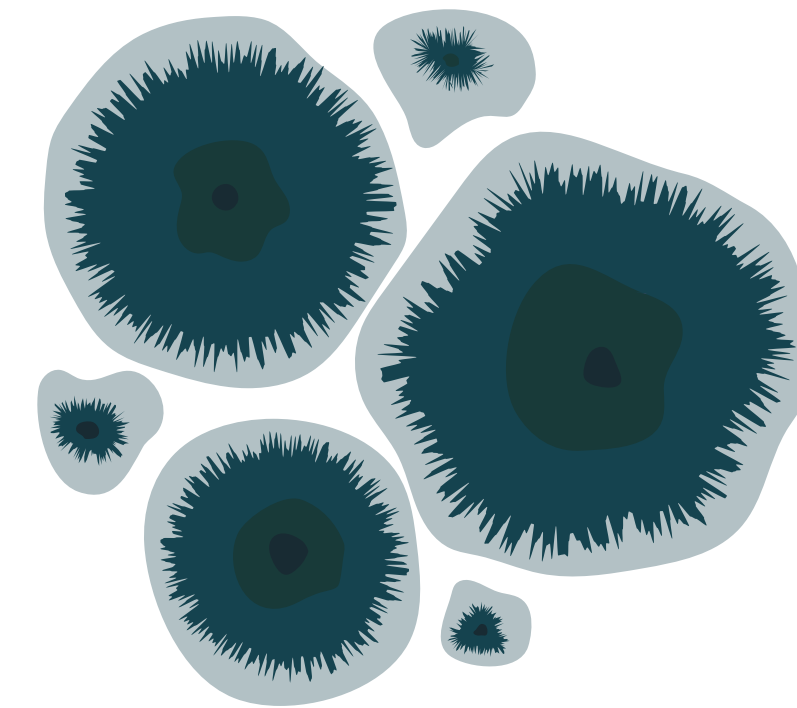
The shower is one of the most used areas of the hotel room. So, even if guests only stay for a day or two, it's natural that it can become dirty and bacteria-laden quickly. These are the most common sources of dirt and bacteria build ups on hotel shower doors.



Hard Water



Soap Scum



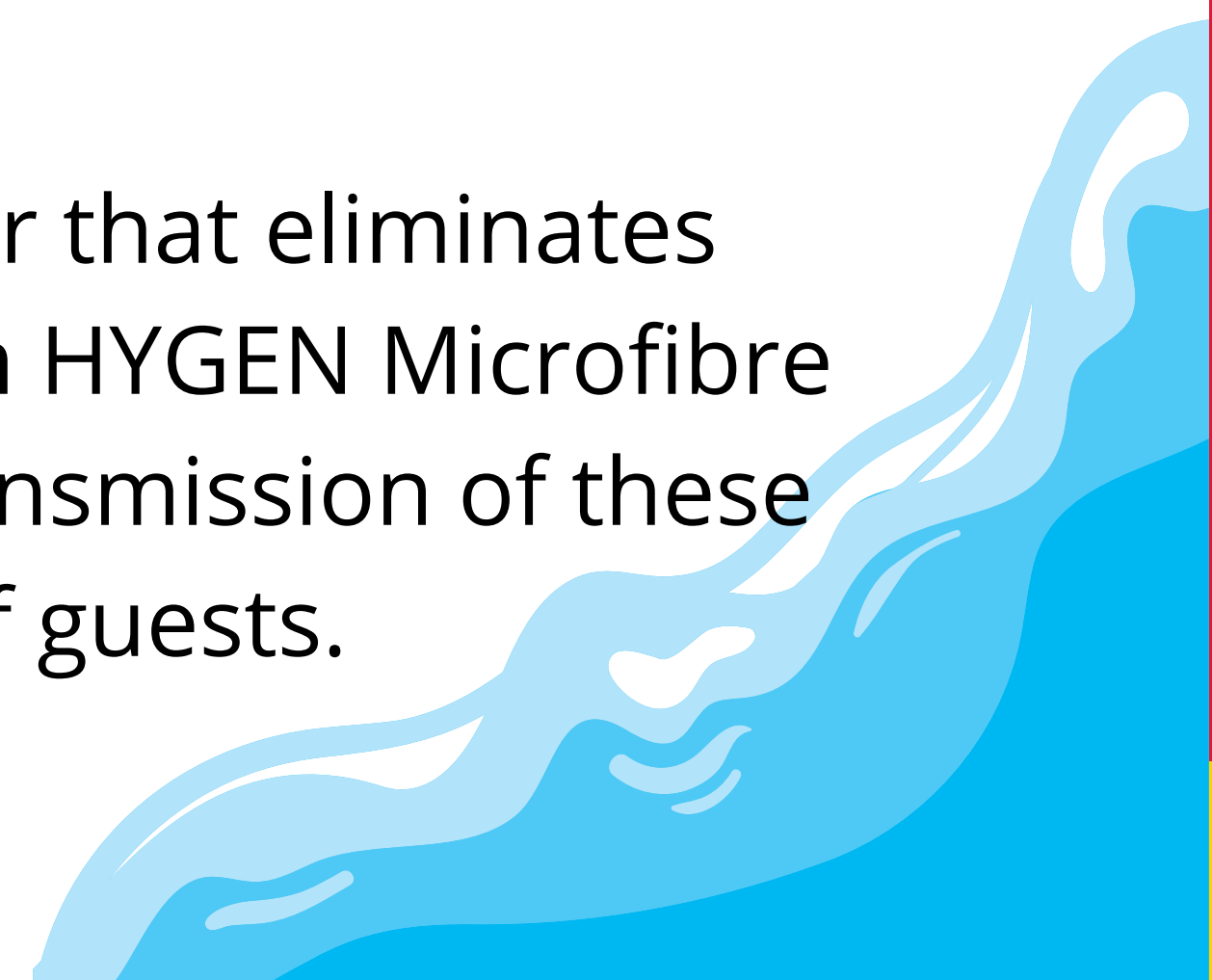
Mould

HOW DOES HARD WATER CAUSE PROBLEMS TO SHOWER DOORS?

When water contains minerals like magnesium and calcium, it is classified as hard water. While it is safe to drink, hard water can cause issues for certain fixtures, including glass shower doors.

These minerals can leave stains and streaks on glass shower doors and create mineral build-up. Over time, this accumulation can lead to bacterial growth, which can result in skin irritation.

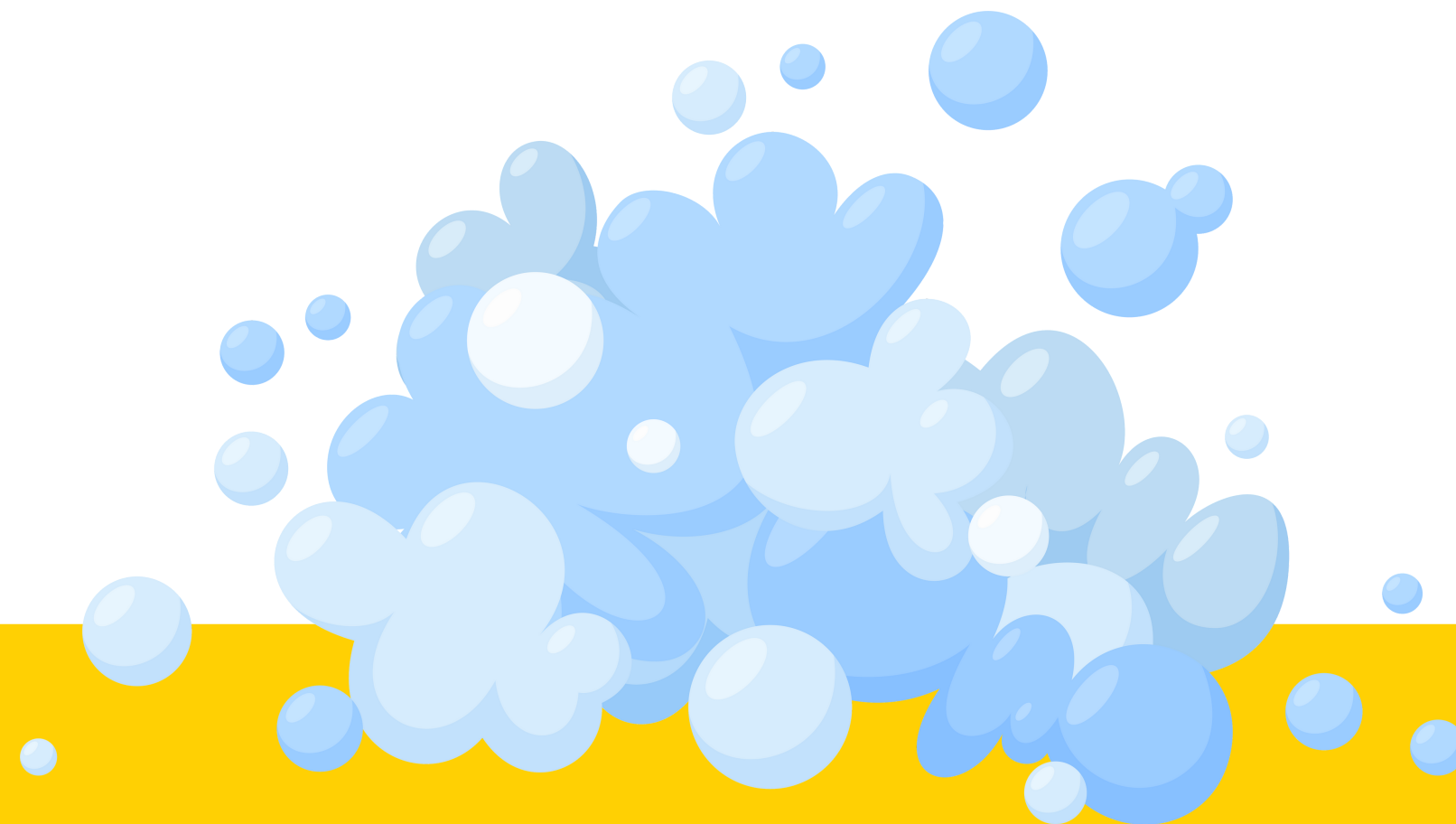
To avoid these issues, hotels often utilise a shower filter that eliminates these minerals from the water. Staff should also use an HYGEM Microfibre cloth to pick up any bacteria build-up and avoid the transmission of these harmful organisms, which can deteriorate the health of guests.



CAN SOAP SCUM CONTRIBUTE TO BACTERIA GROWTH?

Soap scum is a residue that can accumulate on surfaces, such as shower walls and doors. When soap mixes with hard water or minerals, it creates an environment where bacteria can thrive. This is because it creates a porous and uneven surface, which is perfect for trapping dirt and bacteria.

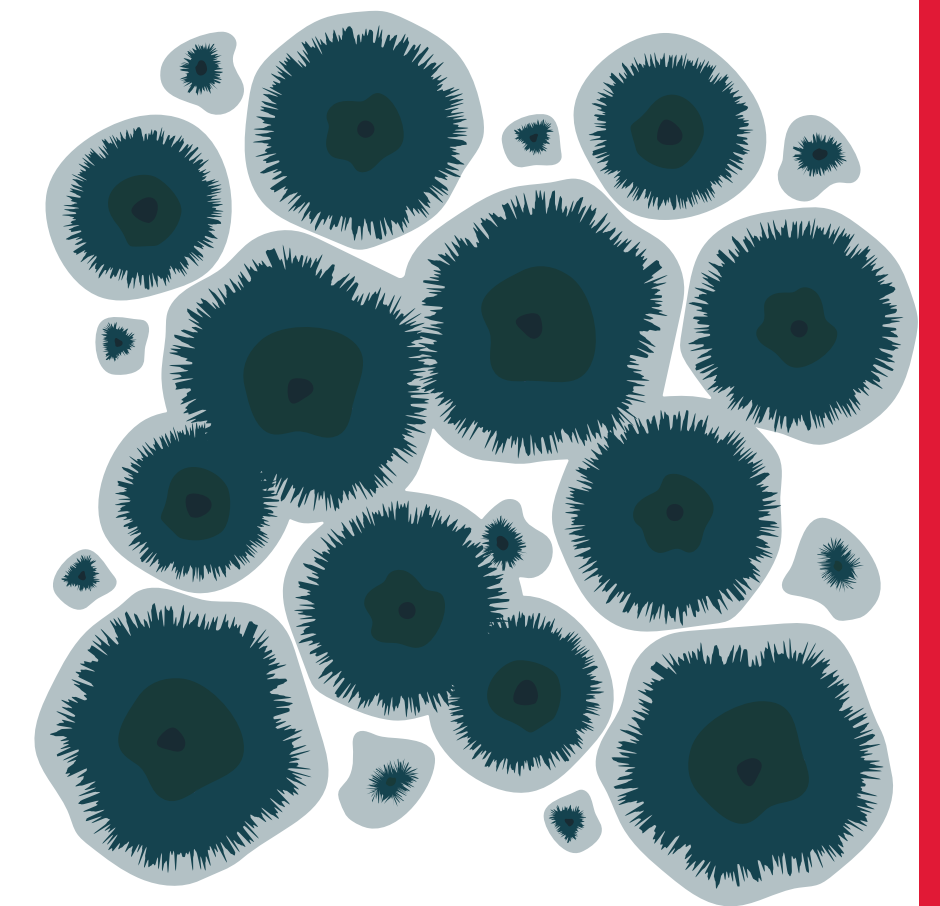
In the long term, this can also lead to the formation of biofilm; a thin layer of microorganisms, which protects bacteria from disinfectants. Therefore, cleaning shower doors daily with HYGEN microfibre is essential to prevent long-term damage to hotel rooms.



HOW DOES MOULD BUILD UP IN SHOWERS?

Mould can build up in showers due to moisture and warmth, which creates an ideal environment for mould spores to grow and spread. Showers are particularly susceptible to mould growth because they are exposed to water and steam on a daily basis and often have poor ventilation.

Furthermore, if surfaces are not properly cleaned or dried, this can provide food for mould growth. Organic materials such as soap scum, dead skin cells, and hair can provide nutrients for mould spores to thrive on.





HOW DO HOTELS KEEP GLASS SHOWER DOORS CLEAN?

The HYGEN™ Glass Microfibre Cloth is a premium solution, meticulously crafted with Microfibre construction, which eliminates the possibility of lint residue or scratches on mirrored or glass surfaces. The cloth's exceptional weave and double-finished edges provide the necessary durability to withstand up to 500 launderings, including 200 bleach washes.

The HYGEN™ cloth helps to reduce chemical and water usage, enhancing operational efficiency while improving staff welfare. It is certified to meet CDC cold- and hot-water laundering standards, with high-quality stitching and double-finished edges that will retain their shape. All of these features make the HYGEN™ Glass Microfibre Cloth an ideal choice for hotels that seek to maintain the cleanliness of their glass shower doors.



IS THERE A WAY TO KEEP HOTEL GLASS SHOWER DOORS PERMANENTLY SPOTLESS?

The short answer is no.

To keep hotel doors looking spotless, the hotel staff must clean glass shower doors every day to maintain their appearance.

Nevertheless, this isn't the only technique used to keep them clean. In reality, many hotels employ the top trick of installing water softeners in shower heads and pipes to reduce water hardness.

By eliminating minerals that contribute to glass spots and stains, cleaning times can be reduced by half.



At Rubbermaid Commercial, we are passionate about providing the best cleaning equipment that can maximise cleaning and improve the cleanliness of your hotel showers. Get in touch with us today to find out more.



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