

# AIRSTREAM™

## ABS Plastic Refinishing

The first step is to push on the plastic to make sure there is plenty of material (thickness) to work with. This can be a problem in deep corners or curves, but in most situations there is plenty of material.

By your original scraping you will have a good idea how deep the blemish has penetrated the plastic. If it is just on the surface a Brillo pad with water will be all you need to use. Don't substitute a SOS pad in place of the Brillo. The SOS pad has coarser steel wool and you will have to spend time polishing the surface after the stain is removed.

If the stain is deep, or you are removing a scratch or cut, scrape off the bad material with a pocket knife or similar tool. Next, sand with a 220 wet or dry paper using water until the grooves left by the knife blade are smoothed out. A 400 wet or dry sandpaper is next. When you are done with this step the surface should look acceptable, but it will be duller than the surrounding area.

To bring back the gloss we recommend DuPont White Polishing Compound, and be sure you use a clean white rag. One of the common orange shop rags, when used with the compound, may stain the lavatory worse than when you started.

Polish the complete surface around the area you are refinishing so it all has the same appearance. A touch of paste wax after polishing and it will be like new.