

## GRAFFITI REMOVAL BASED ON SURFACE TYPE

Surface Type	Removal of Spray Paint and Similar Materials (markers, shoe polish, lip stick, stencils, etc.)
	<b>Etching - Etching may be repairable on some glass (seek out a professional); replace glass.</b>
	<b>Adhesives - Scrape away as much of the adhesive as possible; use nail polish remover or acetone-based cleaner to remove remaining residue. Be aware that acetone-based solvents can soften plastics.</b>
Aluminum Siding, Fiberglass	Paint remover (sparingly); rinse with water
Glass	Razor blade to scrape off; can also use paint thinner
Masonry (includes brick, marble, stone, tile, granite, and concrete)	Power washing with low pressure; sand or soda blasting (may create a shadow); paint remover or chemical graffiti remover/solvent applied with brush and rinse with water; paint over
Historic Masonry or Other Valuable Structures	Seek out a professional; get the National Park Service Brief on removing graffiti from historic masonry
Metal	Paint thinner or chemical graffiti remover/solvent and rub with steel wool or sandpaper and rinse; power washing; paint over
Pavement	Chemical remover and power washing; soda blasting
Street Signs	Chemical remover (make sure it does not remove reflective coating)
Stucco	Paint remover/chemical remover and rinse with pressure wash; paint over

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Utility Boxes	Chemical remover with cloth or scrubber
Vinyl Siding	Chemical solvents sparingly as they may remove the vinyl coating; repaint with primer first
Wood	On painted, un-weathered wood can try mineral spirits; power washing with low pressure; sanding; repainting