

Graffiti in Kingston Excerpt: Tools to Aid Removals

2.1.3 Products to Aid Chemical Removal

It is recommended that anyone removing graffiti wear goggles, chemical resistant gloves and clothing which covers exposed skin. Though these products are safer than most, prolonged contact may cause minor irritation. Other accessories to aid removal include:

Paint Brush – for application of products to a porous surface

Scrub Brush/ Scouring Pad – for agitation after product application and final removal. These tools will help to coax the paint/sticker/poster from the substrate.

Glass scraper/razor - handy when faced with a marking that is textured or in removing stickers/posters.

Hose Adapter – There are several different types of adapters, which will allow a hose to be attached to most types of faucets. Though access to a power washer may be limited, it is highly suggested that a hose at ordinary pressure be used to rinse the surface following removal.

Spray Bottle – Though the products do not come equipped with a trigger spray, conventional spray tops fit on the bottles and ease application. Be cautious when applying chemicals in this fashion however as it can lead to minor product inhalation, therefore a mask is recommended. Also, if necessary, a spray bottle can be used to rinse the surface, however, to properly clean the substrate in this manner is very time consuming and tiring on the hands/forearms. Buckets of water are preferable if there is decent access to a faucet.