

EAM Jewelry Care

Instructions for cleaning silver jewelry with tarnish remover:

1. Clean jewelry with warm water and a mild soap to remove dirt and oils, use an old toothbrush to get into crevices. Alternatively a brass brush used with soap and water (available through EAM) is very effective first step to cleaning. Rinse and dry.
2. Dip your piece of jewelry in a liquid silver cleaner following instructions on bottle or jar. Do not use a jewelry cloth or paste tarnish remover on satin-finished jewelry.
3. Thoroughly rinse the piece of jewelry. A second wash with mild soap and water or baking soda is recommended but not necessary if well-rinsed.
5. Dry thoroughly with paper towel. Using a hairdryer to finish drying is strongly recommended.
6. Store silver jewelry in sealed plastic bag when not wearing for extended periods of time.

Notes:

- Don't submerge hollow jewelry with holes. Use a Q-tip or cotton ball to apply tarnish remover instead.
- Don't put pearls or other porous stones in tarnish remover, follow instructions on the bottle.
- Don't wear beaded jewelry when bathing or swimming.
- To restore the soft, satiny finish of the metal, rub in small circles with scotch-brite or course steel wool.
- Avoid spraying jewelry pieces with perfume, hairspray or other chemicals or liquids.

Notes on Ellaner Dip (available through EAM):

- A quick dip is usually all that is needed to remove tarnish. If silver still looks dark or tarnished a more thorough cleaning is recommended, then dip again.
- Do not leave piece(s) in the dip for an extended time. It is a corrosive liquid that can damage metal surface and joints as well as cause discoloration if mishandled.
- Be careful to clean-up any drips or spills. Dip can discolor stainless steel sinks (in which case, the stains can then be scoured-off with 3M sctochbrite pad).
- The dip can last for years, sometimes outlasting its plastic container. For long term storage, its recommended to place the bottle of dip in a glass jar (such as an old pickle jar) to catch any possible spills from cracks in the plastic container.
- Wash your hands thoroughly after using dip.