

MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

After Installation Guidelines

- Do not walk on or expose water to a newly installed Preferred Deck System for at least 48 hours. Protect products from freezing until completely dry and cured. Realize that dry-to-the-touch is MUCH different than fully cured.
- Do not place or drag patio furniture (or any other heavy/metal objects) on newly installed surface for at least 7 days. This could be 10 days in winter months.
- For driveway applications, do not drive on it for at least 7 days. Cold/ damp/ rainy conditions can extend this time. Use extreme caution in winter months.
- Dry and cure times vary greatly, depending on several factors such as: temperature, humidity, water exposure from landscaping, sun vs. shade, new vs. existing concrete. Contact us for details if needed.

Maintenance Instructions

- After the Preferred Deck System has fully cured, periodically clean it with a pressure washer or high-power nozzle so that dirt will not get ground into the surface. Commercial projects require a regular, ongoing cleaning/maintenance program. Preferred Deck's **All Purpose Deck Cleaner**, TSP, and diluted Dawn® dishwashing soap are all good choices if a cleanser is needed.
- Wipe up spills immediately so that the deck will not get permanently stained. If staining is a chronic issue on a Lace Texture, repaint/touchup if needed and apply Preferred Deck's **Clear Coat Sealer**. Typically, this additional sealer does not make the deck slippery (use **Nonskid Grip** if desired.) **Clear Coat** has a slight sheen but fades within a few weeks. This is also the best product to use over **Reflecto Seal**, since it does not make the deck hotter.
- Immediately clean up pool acid/products, fertilizers, or any other chemicals.
- Need more info? Consult our **Stubborn Stain Clean Up** guidelines and contact us if needed.
- Reseal your deck regularly to maintain a sealed surface. For residential applications, the average is every five years. For high-traffic commercial projects, this could mean resealing every other year.
- Be aware that efflorescence (a white powdery substance) occurs with all concrete, which is more prevalent in the winter months. For more information, please contact us.