

timber maintenance guide

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STANDARD PRODUCTS

Timber is a natural product and therefore variations will occur. It requires care to look its best and increase longevity. Create a clean and repair program for your battens based on material, finish, use and environment.

Please note, failing to maintain timber with regular maintenance will void your warranty.

If faster lead times are requested, oiled timber battens may require additional drying time - two weeks from application. Please ensure the 'wet paint' sign remains with the product until it is dry.

1. Oiled finish premium hardwood

EXTERNAL

Regularly oil hardwood to help maintain colour and increase longevity, every 3 months. More frequently in tough conditions.

Re-oiling is best done in warm weather, with protective gear. Wash the surface to remove dust and dirt. Allow to dry.

Apply one or two coats of a reputable oil such as Cutek Extreme, Bunnings Colour Guard or similar hardware store decking oil, with a clean cloth.

Some oils are pigmented, which add to the colour of the timber and can reduce the speed of fading. Cutek Extreme is available as clear or tinted, please check with our team which is right for your product. Be careful not to get oil on other surfaces like the frame or paving as it may stain.

Highly fluid oils apply in minutes. Others are more viscous and take longer to dry. You may find it easier to use a pigment-free, easy to apply oil more frequently, if the furniture is easy to access.

If using Bunnings Colour Guard do not apply a water-based stain, which is not compatible.

Greying and checking are signs that the surface of the timber has degraded. A light sanding is recommended to freshen it up.

INTERNAL

Clean with gentle detergent and warm water using a damp sponge or cloth. Wipe off with a clean, damp cloth.

2. Painted timber

EXTERNAL and INTERNAL

Maintain at least every 6 months and immediately repair any breaks in the coating.

Clean with a mild detergent in warm water using a cloth or sponge, rinse with clean water and check the coating integrity.

To repair any breaks or openings, sand back through the coating to the raw timber using a medium abrasive paper (120 grit), smoothing the surface with fine abrasive paper (240 grit), and recoating. Contact customer service for coating recommendations for your product.

3. Clear finished timber

INTERNAL ONLY

Regular maintenance should be carried out at least every 6 months. Immediately repair any breaks in the coating.

Clean with mild detergent in warm water using a cloth or sponge, rinse with clean water and check the coating integrity. Any surface wear, which appears as a change in gloss level, breaks or openings in the coating, which would reduce the effective cover over the timber, must be repaired.

To repair, sand back through the coating to the raw timber using a medium abrasive paper (120 grit), smoothing the surface with fine abrasive paper (240 grit), and recoat with a compatible clear coating system. Contact customer service for coating recommendations for your product.

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