



EKODECK+
DESIGNER SERIES
CARE & MAINTENANCE GUIDE

OVERVIEW

Ekodeck+ Designer Series is not a self-cleaning product.

It will require periodic cleaning especially in undercover or alfresco areas.

Cleaning requirements of your Ekodeck+ Designer Series product will vary depending on product use and weather exposure. Ekodeck+ Designer Series can stain, especially if not cleaned regularly.

Whilst Ekodeck+ Designer Series' Durashell™ coating resists most stains, we still recommend foreign substances be cleaned off immediately to avoid potential risk of staining or discolouration.

This guide will give you some basic principles that will help you maintain the natural beauty of your Ekodeck+ Designer Series .

SURFACE PROTECTION

It is recommended to use surface protection on furniture and objects to avoid scratching or marking your Ekodeck.

GENERAL CLEAN

A *General Clean* is essential immediately after installation to remove surface debris from transport and installation, and periodically as you see fit:

- 1. Scrub the deck with hot water and dishwashing liquid with a soft-to-medium bristle brush.
- Rinse your deck thoroughly a high pressure hose is recommended.

We recommend a *General Clean* is performed at least annually to minimise potential surface oxidation.

Note: When using a pressure washer, be sure to only use a fan spray nozzle at no more than 2000psi and maintain a minimum of 30cm away from the decking boards to avoid potential damage.

The use of a needle or point jet could cause irrepairable damage to your deck.

SANDING

Do not sand your Ekodeck+ Designer Series boards. Doing so can cause irrepairable damage to your deck.

STUBBORN STAINS

If a *General Clean* fails to remove stubborn stains on your deck, using a stain remover may be necessary.

We recommend the use of an aerosol car/engine degreaser to remove oil-based stains. Spray the affected area and lightly scrub to remove the stain.

Be sure to follow with a *General Clean* to wash away the degreaser.

MOULD

Mould is often caused by a surrounding environment of constant moisture and shade. A dirty deck will also promote the growth and spread of mould.

If mould grows on your Ekodeck+ Designer Series, we recommend the use of 30 Seconds Mould Off to remove it.

It is recommended to clean your deck more regularly if mould reoccurs.

STATIC ELECTRICITY

All co-extruded composite decking, including Ekodeck+ Designer Series can, under certain conditions, exhibit build-up of static electricity.

The biggest contributing factors of static electricity build-up are low humidity and dry environmental conditions, the type of subframe materials used in construction and the presence of earthing and/or metal balustrading. Whilst installations where static is noticeable are rare, Ekodeck is not in control of these factors and does not warrant against static build-up.

This phenomenon may be reduced by using an anti-static spray (such as ACL Staticide). These products are water based and may require additional applications after rain or other weather conditions. Anti-static mats or insulating touch points such as balustrades or door handles with a sealer may provide a more permanent solution. A clear coat can be applied to insulate touch points – for best results use a UV resistant, outdoor-grade coating. Multiple applications may be required to create an effective insulating barrier.

Generally, the static build-up in the boards tends to reduce over time as the boards wear in.

