

## Cleaning, Maintenance and Re-Coating

### *Cleaning and Maintenance*

InnoWood decking and cladding is normally supplied facesanded, and can be coated with an approved water-based, UV stable, clear-coat finish to retain the original colour and to inhibit normal oxidation.

An additional final non-slip coat should be applied to the decking, to enhance the slip resistance, particularly where InnoWood decking is used in a pool environment.

Cleaning and maintenance of the InnoWood products should be timely in relation to its location, local environmental conditions, so as not to void the serviceability life warranty of the manufactured InnoWood products.

A regular wash down should remove most of the dirt and contaminants that have adhered to the InnoWood surface.

Where a regular wash down maintenance does not remove all the dirt and contaminants that have adhered to the surface of the InnoWood product, the following procedure should be carried out –

- Wash the surface with a mild solution of pure soap or non-abrasive mild dishwashing detergent in water.
- Washing should be with a medium to stiff bristle nylon brush, and should be firm and gentle.
- Solvent type cleaners (turpentine, petrol, kerosene, paint thinners) or coarse abrasive cleaners must not be used.
- For advice on the removal of grease, oil or deposits not removed by soap or detergent contact an InnoWood Australia Pty Ltd state sales or agent's office.

#### NOTE-

It is advised that high-pressure water jet cleaning devices not be used.

It is also advised that high-pressure stiff bristle planer rotating brush devices not be used.

These devices can damage the product and other components adjacent to the InnoWood, such as flashings, seals and the like and may negate any warranties.

### *Recoating*

Re-coating should be done with an approved InnoWood proprietary water-based UV roller applied coating, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.



There is no need for sanding back the surfaces, only cleaning with a stiff bristle nylon brush, using mild solution of pure soap

or non-abrasive mild dishwashing detergent in water, as outlined previously in the cleaning section.

To protect your plants and paths, we recommend you use drop sheets, masking tape to protect any other adjacent surfaces that should not be coated, some rags to clean up any drops or spills, mild detergent and water for cleaning up after.

Before starting the recoating, sand out any imperfections and or damaged areas in the InnoWood products using a medium coarse sandpaper (50-80 grade) and if required finishing with a fine grade (150 grade).

When sanding, sand along the product's grain and not across the grain. Ensure that the surface is clean, free of dust and debris, this can be achieved with a damp cloth, mop or a cloth bound broom.

Mask any adjacent surfaces not to be coated, with 50 mm wide masking tape to protect them.



The coating should be thoroughly mixed with a broad, flat paddle (using a scooping action), before and during use.

This keeps the ingredients evenly dispersed in the coating during its application, to maintain a uniform dispersion cover against weathering, oxidation and UV exposure.

For best results on large areas to be coated with the coating it is best to use a 9 – 12 mm micro-fibre nap roller on a pole and a roller tray.

For cladding, work down the wall to the bottom and for decking, work away from the furthest area of the deck toward a suitable external exit way, so as not to coat yourself into a corner.

Apply the coating in smooth even strokes along the planks and coat about two or three boards at a time.

Once the first coat is dry, apply a second coat and allow it to dry. Please check on the coating pack for re-coat times.

The correctly applied coating should enjoy a virtual maintenance free life expectancy for another five to seven years for cladding and dependent on foot traffic, three to five years for decking.

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