



HYBRIDECK CARE & MAINTENANCE GUIDE

General Cleaning

Keep it clean and your Hybrideck will reward you with many years of low maintenance pleasure.

General cleaning with a broom or mop is suitable for most cleans, however for a more substantial clean **dilute sugar soap into warm water** and scrub the deck with a scrubbing brush. After any cleaning of your Hybrideck hose off and use an old towel wrapped around your broom/brush to remove any excess water. This will assist in avoiding any temporary water staining marks occurring. On a warm day the deck should dry without any residual watermarks.

Mould & Mildew

If materials such as leaves and dust are allowed to build up on the deck and this build up material becomes damp mould or mildew may develop in the built up material. This can be treated with **diluted "wet & forget"** following the manufacturer's instructions. To get a faster result **Intergrain Reviver** or similar oxalic acid based cleaner is another option.

Stains

Hybrideck, like wood, is susceptible to stains from Oil based products. BBQ grease, oil, and the tannin in some vegetation can have an impact on the Hybrideck surface. Best results are achieved if the stain is treated immediately with absorbent cloths then apply a degreaser as per the manufacturer's instructions. Follow up any application of degreaser with a general clean application of sugar soap and warm water.

Scratches

Scratches can be removed with light sand using 80 – 100 grit sandpaper or wire brush, using a clean wire brush, in line with the grain of Hybrideck. The colour and texture of the repaired area will change with the repair. The appearance of the repair will fade with weathering.

Weathering

After initially being installed if the Hybrideck surface comes into contact with water it will appear to be water staining. This is remedied through weathering process which normally takes around 2-3 months to settle down. To accelerate this process scrub the deck down with **Intergrain Reviva**.

In the first 12 months Hybrideck colours can fade up to 10%. Beyond the first 12 months the colour will remain normally stable

Being a product with 95% recycled product content colour variation of up to 8% from board to board can occur.

Protecting you Hybrideck

Your Hybrideck needs to be protected from fluid containing strong colourings and/or oils that could stain your Hybrideck. This is particularly important after the initial installation of your Hybrideck and before any of the weathering process occurs. Like timber you must still be careful for the life of the product.

If you are installing a barbecue on top of your Hybrideck we strongly recommend the use of a barbecue mats for any potentially affected areas.

We also suggest using plastic protectors under metal furniture or planters to prevent gouging and potential rust stains.

Avoid dragging heavy items over your new Hybrideck as it can scratch. Scratches can be remedied by either giving the affected area a light sand or wire brush, following the grain of the wood as described in the scratches section above.

Testing

Test any treatment, cleaning products or sanding on a spare or obscured piece of decking to check for changes first.