

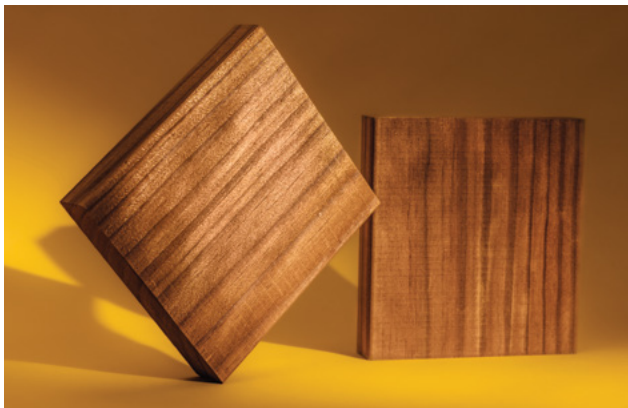


Decking

Maintenance Guidelines



If Your Deck is Uncoated



Vulcan Smooth Decking – Uncoated

Things to expect

- Kiln dried timber will expand when it first gets wet.
- The timber will go grey after about 6 months of exposure to the weather.
- Some wear marks and/or loose white fibers in high traffic areas.
- Some surface cracking (checking).
- Some possible slight warping (movement) of boards.
- The surface may start to appear blotchy or dirty, this is may be due to mould growth which can occur, especially in humid or wet environments.



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Minimum maintenance

Clean regularly (minimum every 12 months) with mild detergent and a soft brush, rinse with water.

Note: High pressure water blasting is not allowed.

In the case of light mould or discolouration

Use Rejuvenator or other similar oxalic timber cleaner and a soft brush, rinse with water.

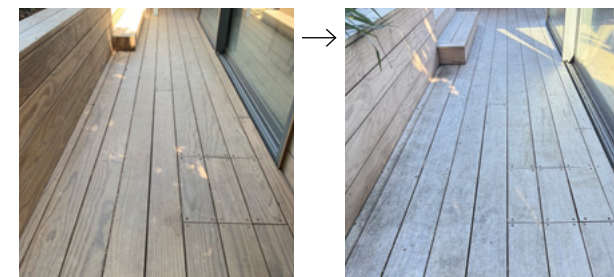
In the case of heavy and persistent mould

Treat mould and lichen with a sodium hypochlorite based cleaner such as Resene Moss and Mould, rinse thoroughly with water. While still wet, scrub down with Rejuvenator or other oxalic timber cleaner using a stiff brush, rinse with water. Be careful not to brush too hard as it may damage the surface of the timber.

Optionally apply specialist deck stain as per manufacturer's instructions onto dry timber.

Optionally, apply a slow acting mouldicide such as Resene Deep Clean or similar to the timber surface to help prevent further mould growth.

Lightening of the Timber:

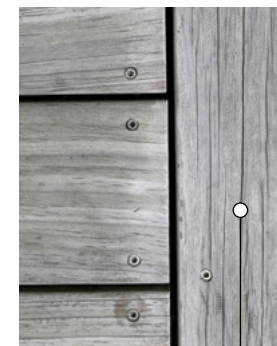


Before

After

We cannot guarantee against wear or color changes to any products which result from weather, sun, wind and/or the natural aging process of the wood.

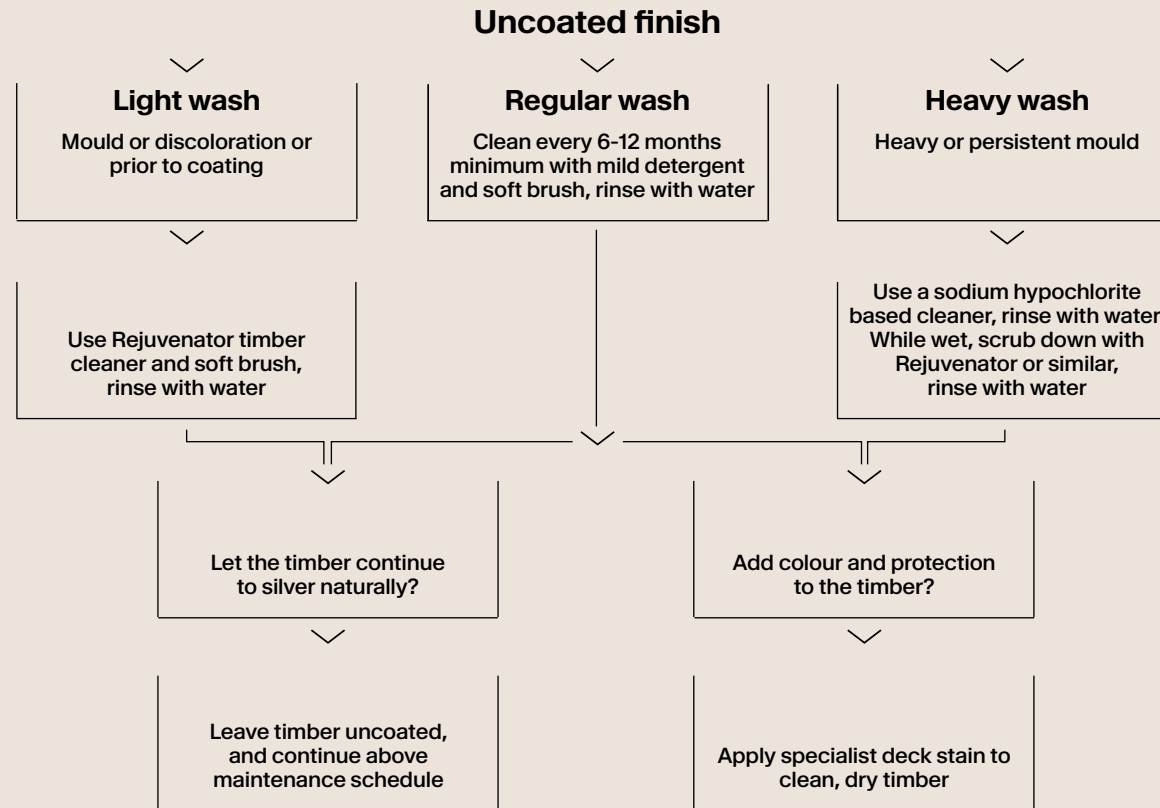
Uncoated decking weathered 18 months:



Surface checking



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If Your Deck is Coated



Vulcan Decking in Protector – Clear

If timber is coated with a specialist deck stain it will:

- Help to maintain and enhance colour for longer (if a brown pigmented stain is used).
- Reduce surface cracking (checking).
- Improve stability (reduce expansion and contraction).

Things to expect

- Some expansion and contraction of the timber when it first gets wet.
- Possible minor surface cracking (checking).
- The surface may start to appear blotchy or dirty, this is may be due to mould growth which can occur, especially in humid or wet environments.
- 'Tracking' wear marks and/or loose white fibers may appear in high traffic areas or very wet areas.
- The coating will erode over time with exposure to the weather, eventually developing grey patches if it is not re-coated after 12 months.
- Clear (non pigmented) coatings provide no UV protection so the timber will go grey over time. Brown pigment coatings will help maintain the brown colour of the timber but will require regular re-coating to maintain colour and cover over wear marks. Grey pigment coatings will enhance the natural weathering process allowing the wood to silver off more evenly.

Minimum maintenance

Clean regularly (minimum every 6-12 months) with mild detergent and a soft brush, rinse with water.

Note: High pressure water blasting is not allowed.

Apply 1 or 2 coats of specialist deck stain every 12-18 months as required when the colour starts to fade and/or water stops beading off the timber.

The re-coat period will depend on exposure of timber to the weather and the amount of wear that it receives. Preparation with Rejuvenator or other similar oxalic timber cleaner is recommended prior to coating.

If you decide not to re-coat, the pigment colour will gradually wear off and the timber will go grey.

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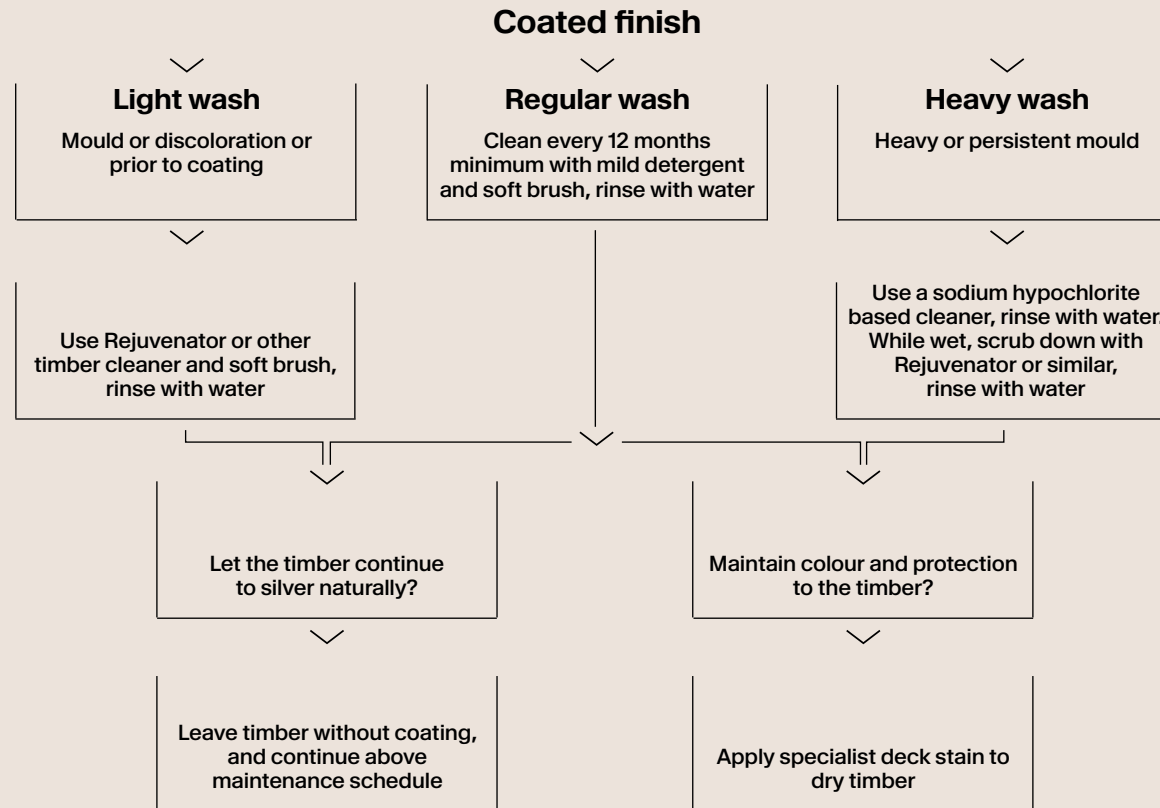
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