

## Decking Maintenance Guidelines

If your deck is uncoated (naked)



**Terra 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.

### 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 timber cleaner and a soft brush, rinse with water.

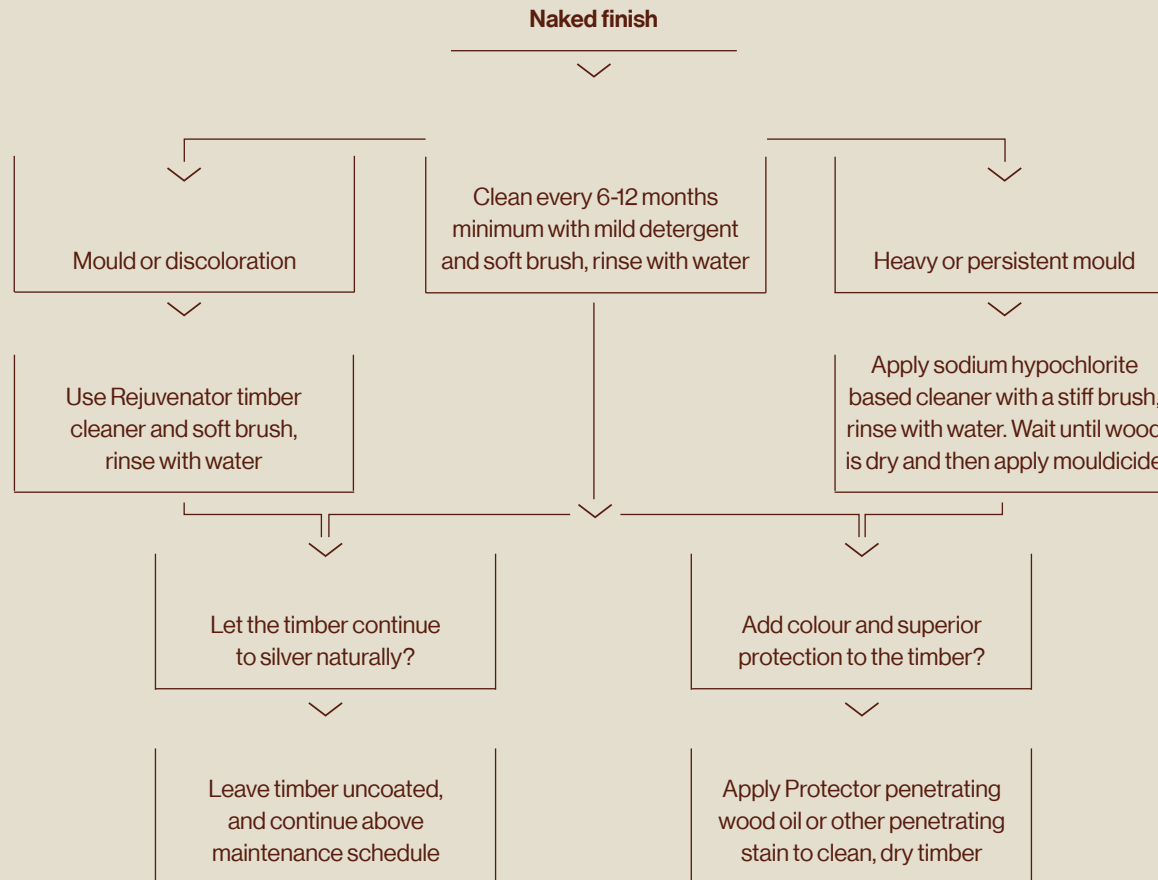
### In the case of heavy and persistent mould

Use a sodium hypochlorite based cleaner such as Resene Moss and Mould, apply with a soft brush and leave for 10 minutes, then rinse thoroughly with water. Wait until wood is dry and then spray on mouldicide such as Resene Deep Clean or similar.

Optionally apply 2 coats of Protector Oil or penetrating stain as appropriate onto dry timber.

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### If your deck is coated



Terra Decking – Sioo:x

#### Things to expect

If timber is coated with Protector pigmented wood oil it will:

- Help to maintain and enhance colour for longer.
- Reduce surface cracking (checking).
- Improve stability (reduce expansion and contraction).
- Increase lifespan.
- Some limited expansion when it first gets wet.
- 'Tracking' wear marks and/or loose white fibers may appear after 6-12 months in high traffic areas.
- The timber will start to go grey after about 18 months of exposure to the weather if it is not recoated.
- 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.

#### 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 Protector penetrating wood oil every 12-18 months as required when the colour starts to fade and/or water stops beading off the timber. The recoat period will depend on exposure of timber to the weather and the amount of wear that it receives.

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

#### In the case of light mould or discolouration

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

Leave to go grey or apply 2 coats of Protector penetrating wood oil on to dry timber.

#### In the case of heavy and persistent mould

Use a sodium hypochlorite based cleaner such as Resene Moss and Mould, apply with a soft brush and leave for 10 minutes, then rinse thoroughly with water. Wait until wood is dry and then spray on mouldicide such as Resene Deep Clean or similar.

Apply 2 coats of Protector Oil or penetrating stain as appropriate onto dry timber.

#### Sioo:x coated timber

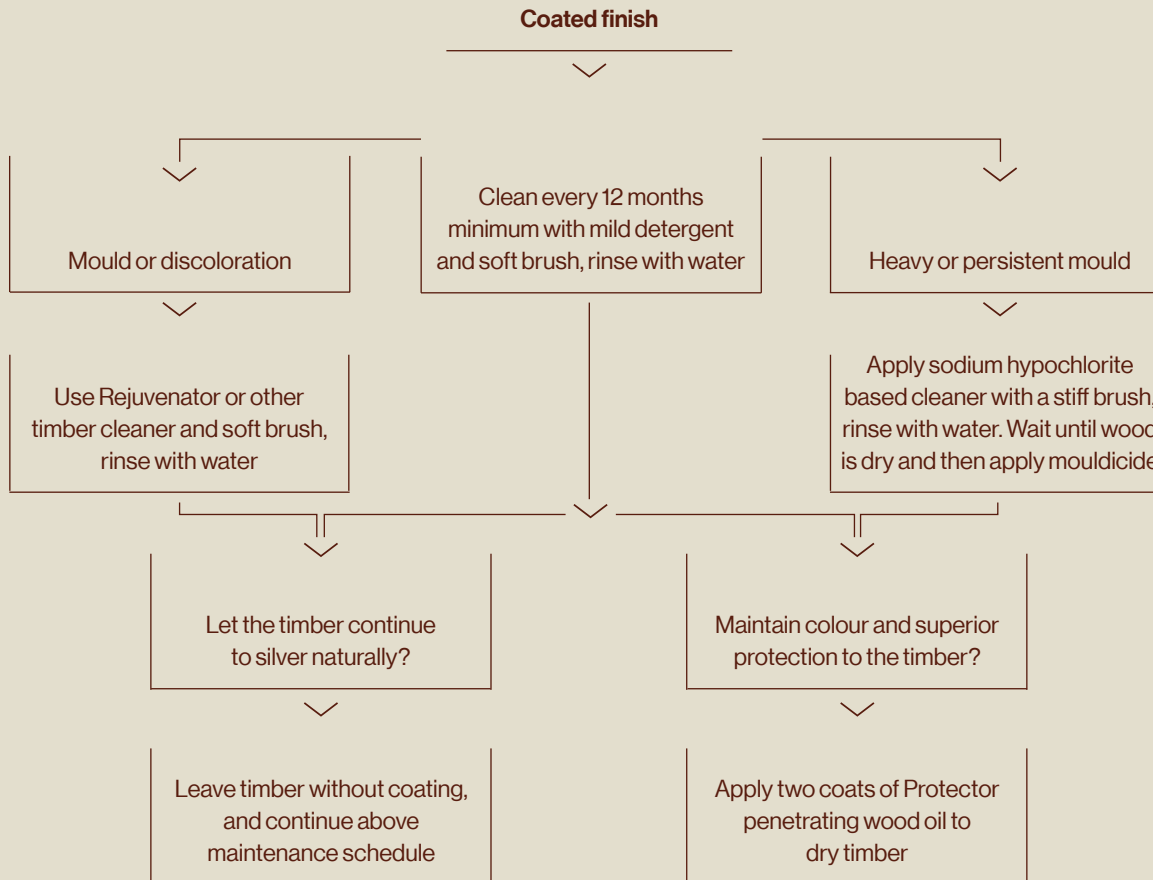
Apply 1 coat of Step 2 Premium Wood Protection Deck surface treatment after 1 years of weathering.

Clean and re-apply full system (Step 1 and Step 2) every 10 years.

Dirt, algae and mould may occur on Sioo:x products especially in shady areas and during wet periods. Keep the surface clean using Sioo:x Maintenance Wash. Applying with a medium stiff brush leave 10 mins and rinse. Minor damage can be treated with Step 2 Premium Surface Protection Panel. For major damage or particularly exposed areas, first apply Step 1 Premium Wood Protection Deck followed by Step 2 Premium Surface Protection Deck and allow to weather.

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