

## OFFICIAL INSTALLATION GUIDE

# **IMPORTANT** | SUGGESTED ADHESIVE

To install Deck-Top properly and maintain your investment for years to come, we strongly recommend using only our adhesive that has been weather tested by Bostik and our Deck-Top team:

HYBRI-SIL® Polyurethane Adhesive - made by Bostik.

**NOTE:** One standard size tube of adhesive will generally secure up to 12 ft. to 15 ft. of Deck-Top. HYBRI-SIL adhesive can be ordered at Lazer Mfg. PH:1-800-233-0076 (Mention Deck-Top for special pricing)

This All-Weather Polyurethane adhesive must be used.

#### PRIOR TO PURCHASING DECK-TOP:

- 1. First determine how many planks of Deck-Top are needed on your dock or deck and measure their lengths. Deck-Top is currently produced in 8ft and 12 ft. standard lengths. We suggest customers order a sample kit to make sure it will fit your boards before placing an order. Feel free to contact us at 877-492-4334 if you have any questions.
- 2. Determine how many edges will be exposed and require 1 1/2" x 1 3/4" PVC edge trim covering. Trim pieces are available in 8 ft. lengths. Note: 1 1/2" x 1 3/4" PVC trim is installed using the same adhesive used on Deck-Top planks.
- 3. To allow proper drainage, it is recommended to have a minimum 3/16" space between deck boards before starting to install Deck-Top. A sample kit is recommended before purchasing Deck-Top to ensure proper spacing and fit to your boards.

## **DECK-TOP INSTALLATION PREPARATION:**

- 1. Make sure that the existing structure is free from grease and/or loose debris prior to Deck-Top application. Deck-Top will conform to the shape of your existing decking, so distressed and/or warped boards should be removed and replaced prior to installation.
- If dock/deck boards (composite or wood) are not securely nailed down to floor joists, it is strongly recommended to screw each board down at all points of contact with the floor joists (stainless steel screws are recommended). This will help ensure that there are no loose boards after Deck-Top is installed. If possible, we also advise the removal and reattachment of all existing fasteners and cleats after the adhesive has cured.
- 3. If the existing gap between your deck boards is 1/4" or more, but it has been filled in by paint or other debris, additional steps should be taken. Apply a 1/4" router bit or circular saw run between the board, at least 1/2" deep to provide enough room for Deck-Top to fit over the original planks. If your existing deck boards were installed too close together and are less than 1/4" apart, it is recommended that you remove the planks and re-space them accordingly. Floorboards can also be flipped over if the existing surface has loose paint or other installation concerns. This process will ensure that your existing decking is securely attached prior to installing Deck-Top.



## **DECK-TOP ADHESIVE INSTALLATION:**

- 1. Hybri-sil is the Deck-Top approved adhesive and manufactured by Bostik. It has been professionally tested by them from 140° to -30°. Hybri-sil adhesive has been vigorously tested against cold and warm weather conditions.
- 2 Hybri-sil information:

• Application Temperature: 0°F to 140°F

• Shrinkage: 0%

Skinning Time: 15 minutesCure Time: 24/48 hours

Temperature Resistance after Cure: -75°F to 350°F

Cleanup: Mineral SpiritsShelf Life: 12 months

Storage Temperature: 40°F to 80°F

- 3. Apply a bead of adhesive on each inside vertical lip on the right and left sides of Deck-Top. Reference YouTube video.
- 4. On the underside of the Deck-Top plank, run a back-and-forth bead of adhesive (in a z-like motion) from end-to-end over the full length of the plank. This will ensure proper coverage when Deck-Top is placed on top of your decking. One 9.5 oz. tube of adhesive will generally secure up to 12 ft to 15 ft. feet of Deck-Top.
  - If any excess glue is applied to any other surface, clean the area immediately. Any uncured sealant needs to be removed by using the manufacturers' recommended cleaners. Bostik Specialty Sealant Remover™ or Mineral Spirits are the recommended cleaning agents. Cured sealant is usually very difficult to remove without altering or damaging the surface to which the sealant has been misapplied.
- 5. Place the adhesive-covered Deck-Top plank on top of a decking board with the adhesive-covered side touching the decking board. If board is smaller than 5 ½" then slide Deck-Top from side to side for Hybri-sil to touch sides.
- 6. Once Deck-Top is placed on top of the decking board, immediately apply pressure to the top surface from end to end. If warped boards are not replaced, consider applying pressure with weight to hold until Hybri-sil is cured.
- 7. Follow the adhesive manufacturer's instructions and recommendation on drying time before walking on your new deck surface.

YouTube installation videos found on our Deck-Top page. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@deck-top1100/about">https://www.youtube.com/@deck-top1100/about</a>

#### **CLEANING**

Deck-Top is stain-resistant. Common dirt, scuffs, or stains on the flooring can appear over a period of time, but they can be easily cleaned away with soap and water.

• For stains such as rust or other similar marks on the Deck-Top surface, acetone can be used for brief periods of exposure to clean the area. *DO NOT* allow acetone to lay on Deck-Top for extended periods of time. Rubbing alcohol can also be used for lighter stain issues. Be sure to clean the area with soap and water immediately after using acetone, alcohol, and mineral spirits.

# QUESTIONS? CONCERNS? JUST NEED SOME HELP? CONTACT CUSTOMER SUPPORT:

1.877.492.4334 (M–F: 8am to 5pm EST) || <u>sales@deck-top.com</u>

