

# Summary of Preparation and Use of WOODguard®

## NEW, WEATHERED, UNTREATED WOOD

### SURFACE PREP RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Spray the surface with clean water, thoroughly wetting the wood.
- Generously apply a solution of TSP and an outdoor strength bleach (One cup of TSP dissolved in 3 quarts warm water then add one quart of outdoor bleach) using a garden pump sprayer.
- While the surface is still wet, spray on the TSP/bleach solution and scrub with a stiff-bristled nylon brush. Keep the surface moist for 15 – 20 minutes. (Do not let the solution dry on the wood). This will clean and open the wood pores to really accept the **WOODguard** treatment. For the best result, this is the preferred method to prepare the wood surface for **WOODguard**.
- Wash the surface with clean water from the top down using a low-pressure (<500 PSI) high water volume sprayer, keeping the nozzle one foot from the wood surface.
- After the excess water has dripped off the wood, measure the pH of the water droplets on the bottom log or board. If the pH is the same as the rinse water, you may go to the next area. If the pH is greater than that of the rinse water, additional rinsing is necessary. Proper rinsing is a very important step.
- Let surface dry completely (moisture content below 18%). Usually after 3 days. Sand with

a fine grit paper to remove “fuzz” formed from scrubbing action.

### APPLICATION:

- Apply **one coat** of **WOODguard** using a low-pressure garden sprayer from the top down. Apply to refusal (until **WOODguard** starts to run) and have someone follow to back brush the applied **WOODguard** to a smooth uniform coating. You will not have lapping marks if you overlap adjoining freshly painted areas.
- Clean tools with paint thinner or mineral spirits
- This treatment will give a long lasting finish of 2 – 4 years, depending on how many applications have been applied, along with termite and decay protection.
- Do not apply WOODguard if the overnight low temperature is below 50F/10°C or the daytime high temperature is above 95°F/35°.

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