

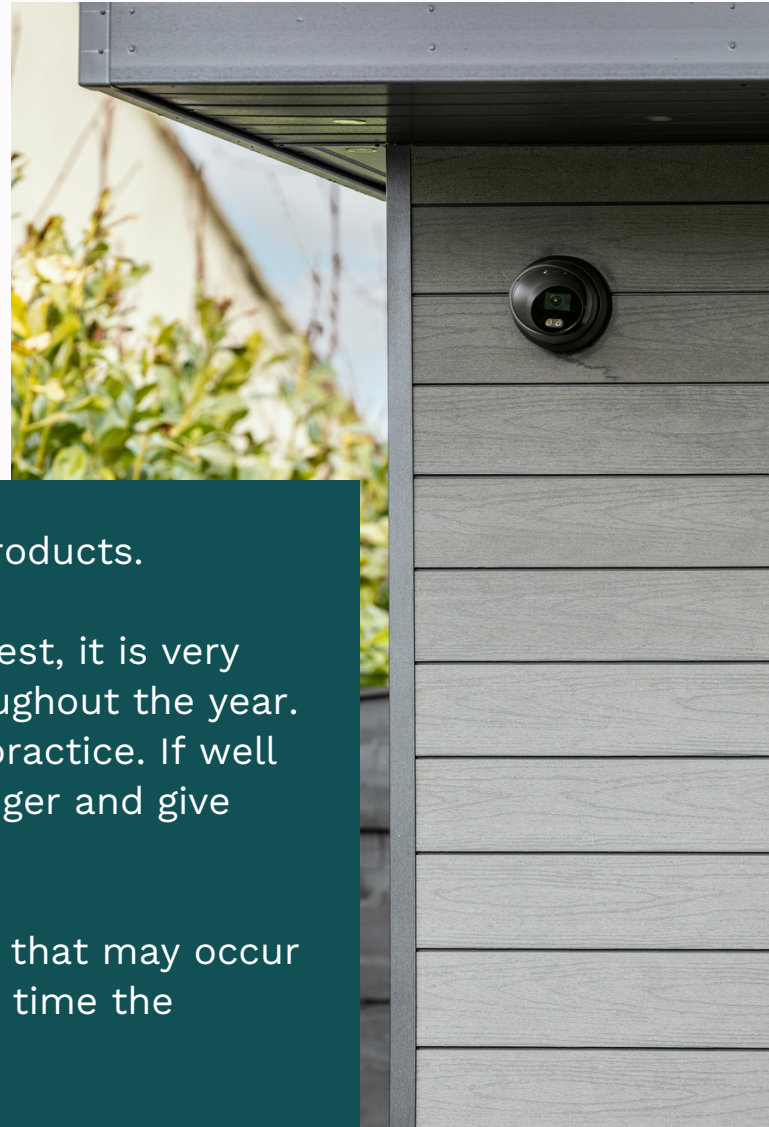
CLEANING & MAINTENANCE GUIDE

DECKING & CLADDING

For further assistance, please contact Trekker Global Technical Department on 01483 310800 or technical@trekkerglobal.com.



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Thank you for choosing Trekker Global products.

To keep your decking or cladding looking its best, it is very important that it is maintained and cleaned throughout the year. This helpful guide will provide advice and best practice. If well maintained, your Trekker product will last longer and give satisfaction for years to come.

Any natural colour fading of the composite panel that may occur will be in the first 10-12 weeks after which time the discolouration will be minimal.

We advise that proper safety precautions are taken when accessing the cladding & decking.

CARE & MAINTENANCE

General cleaning of the decking / cladding should be undertaken with clean water. You can use a stiff broom in order to clean the surface. Alternatively, you can use a pressure washer machine (**water pressure should not exceed 6 bar**) using a jet fan at a suitable distance from the decking or cladding (so the water won't scratch the surface). The correct dilution of **Trekker Maintenance EZ Cleaner** can be used for a more intensive clean.

Expansion gaps should be kept clean to facilitate the flow of water and to allow the products to expand and contract.

Periodically inspect the integrity of the substructure. It is essential to maintain good drainage (from surface water) and air flow to prevent rotting and damage to the base.

If food deposits are left on the surface for a prolonged period, there is inadequate drainage or consistently damp conditions in an area shaded under trees/by neighbouring buildings, then there is the potential for surface fungal growth (see page 5).

CARE & MAINTENANCE

Procedure:

- 1.** Keep the joints between the boards clean to ensure adequate drainage.
- 2.** Regularly sweep the deck to remove loose debris e.g. leaves.
- 3.** Clean with water and a stiff broom/pressure washer (not exceeding 6 bar and at a suitable distance).
- 4.** Where a more intensive clean is required with the EZ clean product, clean in small sections to ensure soap is rinsed off completely. For more stubborn marks, let the cleaning product sit for 10-15 minutes.
- 5.** Let the deck dry completely before putting any tables, chairs or furniture back.

If in any doubt, please contact our Technical Department, email: technical@treknerglob.com or call our office on: 01483 310800.

WATER MARKS

Watermarks are natural and easy to remove. When the water runs down the boards it drags small particles of dirt with it. This phenomenon diminishes over time, but it is not possible to avoid.

Clean off the water marks using a dry brush to remove the visible dirt, followed by cleaning with water and a cloth/brush.

FOOD STAINS

In case of spillage of liquids, sauces or other food substances that may foul the surface, the affected area must be cleaned immediately. If not, the product can absorb these substances, and removing the stains will be harder.

SURFACE MILDEW & MOULD GROWTH

Our Trekker Cladding & Decking boards are resistant to the damaging effects of both mould and mildew growth. However, this type of growth can occur on almost every outdoor surface and may collect on the surface of our boards but can be easily removed/cleaned.

With regular cleaning & maintenance, following the steps on page 4, this can be avoided. We don't recommend using a pressure washer to remove mildew/mould as it may force spores deeper into the material.

OIL & GREASE

Depending on the product range, our decking and cladding can potentially be stained by contact with contaminants such as oil and grease.

If this occurs, please contact Trekker Global Technical department immediately for further assistance.

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