



5. Recommendations for cleaning Saige composite decking, if it comes into contact with:

These are recommendations only- it is advised that you test any products being used on a small test area first.

Please NEVER use a barbecue or fire pit on top of the decking area.

5.1 Oil

- Remove the oil as soon as possible and clean with a degreasing agent. Rinse with water and soap.
- If stains have set into the material, as with wood, they are hard to *remove*. Fine sandpaper can be used, following the grain.

5.2 Rust

- Use water (and soap) and brush carefully with a scouring pad
- In case of heavy rust, use a cleanser containing lemon acid
- Rinse with water

5.3 Greasy Stains

- Remove grease immediately and clean with a degreasing agent or soap.
- If stains have set into the material, as with wood, they are hard to remove. Fine sandpaper can be used, following the grain alternatively using a wire brush can be helpful also.
- Rinse with warm water.

5.4 Wine/Fruit Stains

- Clean with a cleaning agent and water.
- For heavy stains scour with a light bleach and 60degrees hot water.
- Rinse with water.

5.5 Scratches

- The decking can be scratched by dragging furniture across the deck (please take care if dragging anything across the decking)- we would recommend fitting soft felt type pads to the bottom of the chairs to minimise scratches.
- In case of small scratches that are not revitalised by a power washer you can use fine sandpaper or a light use of a wire brush following the direction of the board/wood grain.

5.6 General

- Normal maintenance of the terrace can be done by sweeping or scrubbing the decking, or by using a garden hose or high pressure cleaner.
- To avoid damage, make sure there is enough distance between the nozzle and Saige Longlife Decking. Test a small area first. Spray in the direction of the grain to avoid damage
- In extreme cases a 60degree hot jet-wash may be required.
- As the decking is made of 50% wood it can become stained if it is not cleaned regularly of leaves, debris, berries, blossom and anything else that could rot or stain the decking. Particularly relevant where there are trees overhanging the decking.

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