



# E-Z Quick Tips For Driveway Maintenance



**1 Sweep Driveway**

- Sweep driveway to remove leaves, grass clippings and other loose debris.

**2 Clean Driveway**

**Driveway Kleen**

- Removes dirt and grime
- Preps driveways for sealcoating

**3 Treat Spots**

**Oil Spot Primer**

- Penetrates oil stains
- Promotes bonding in problem areas

**4 Repair Damage**

**Blacktop Crack & Joint Filler**

- Fast drying, extra durable
- Repairs holes and cracks up to 1" deep/wide
- Resists gas, oil & chemical deterioration

**Repair Damage**

**Blacktop Elastomeric Crack Filler**

- Repairs cracks up to 3/4" wide
- Flexes with movement
- Lasts 3x longer than standard filler
- Easy pour spout

**5 Apply Sealer**

**Repair Damage**

**Blacktop Drive Patch**

- Fills larger cracks & small holes
- Ready-to-use
- Fast set-up

**6 YEAR**

- Renews Blacktop Surfaces
- Premium Filler & Sealer
- 6x Polymer Concentration
- Fast, Clean & E-Z to Apply
- Your Best Driveway Choice

**4 YEAR**

- Renews Blacktop Surfaces
- Premium Filler & Sealer
- 4x Polymer Concentration
- Your Better Driveway Choice

## What Sealer Is Best For Your Driveway?

Product	Driveway Condition				
	Average	Poor	No Inclines	Inclines	High Traffic
Pro-Gel	BEST	BEST	BEST	BETTER	BEST
Race-Way	BETTER	BETTER	BETTER	BEST	BETTER
Drive-Kote	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD

**3 YEAR**

- Renews Blacktop Surfaces
- Filler & Sealer
- 3x Polymer Concentration



Sealing your blacktop driveway is easy and will increase the beauty and value of your home while protecting your investment. However, preparation is a critical step that should not be overlooked or neglected. You can eliminate over 90% of potential problems by following these simple steps.

## STEP 1: CLEANING

**Driveway Essential Driveway Cleaner** is highly recommended for washing your driveway. It removes dirt, exhaust residue, oil drippings, tree sap, and other chemicals which hinder the adhesion of the sealer. Also, look for oil spots while cleaning driveway surface. These areas will "bead up" water on your driveway. You must clean and then prime these areas with **Driveway Essentials Oil Spot Primer** to ensure proper adhesion and prevent flaking or peeling of sealer.

## STEP 2: FILLING CRACKS & HOLES

Be sure to fill and repair all cracks. This will prevent more water from seeping into the base and prevent additional damage from occurring. Start by removing all loose particles and dirt from the repair area with a steel brush or flat head screwdriver. Dig or scrape out dirt, then use your garden hose with spray nozzle to wash additional dirt out of the crack. Flush out area completely with water. Let surfaces dry 1-2 hours before applying repair material (surface should be mostly dry, if not, wait longer).

### SMALL & LARGE CRACKS

Use **Crack Stopper Rubberized Crack & Joint Filler** or **Elastomeric Crack Filler** for best results. These flexible product will fill cracks up to 1" wide. Deep cracks may require additional applications. After crack filler is added, fine silica sand can be sprinkled on the repair to help fill and reinforce the crack. In general, rubberized crack fillers remain flexible, last longer and prevent cracks from returning

### SMALL HOLES

Repair holes up to 4" with **Crack Stopper Drive Patch**. This is a great all purpose, trowel grade material which forms a durable, long lasting repair. Easy to apply, just trowel it in and smooth it out! Ideal for use prior to sealcoating. **Drive Patch** is not intended to resurface large areas on driveways. DO NOT use to repair holes or cracks over 2 sq. ft. per patch.

### POT HOLES

Repair holes larger than 4" with **RePave Pot Hole Patch**. This heavy duty stone and asphalt mix forms a permanent repair on your driveway surface. Its high performance characteristics enable it to be applied year round in any weather. Just shovel or scoop **RePave** into the hole and tamp it down (\*NOTE: allow 30+ days to cure prior to sealcoating over **RePave**).

## STEP 3: SEALCOATING

**BEST CONDITIONS:** Try to set aside a weekend for your driveway sealing project. It will not take that much of your time, but it is advisable to make all repairs the day before sealcoating. Most of the repair products need about 24 hours to set. After your repairs have had time to cure, you are ready to move on to sealcoating. Best results are obtained when sealer is applied in the early morning hours on a clear warm day. The temperatures should be a minimum of 60°F and rising.

**BEST RESULTS:** REMEMBER, TWO THIN COATS ARE ALWAYS BETTER THAN ONE THICK COAT. Thick coats lead to many problems including tracking, cracking and discoloration. Follow application instructions noted on the containers. Apply sealer in a side to side motion. This action enables all pores to become sealed and brings about a consistent surface. Allow sealer to set for 24 to 48 hours before traffic. During and after sealcoating, block the freshly coated driveway with empty buckets to prevent someone from driving on the surface before it has cured. (24-48 hours)

## SECRET TIPS FROM THE PROS

### PRIOR TO APPLICATION

1. Repair all cracks and holes the day before.
2. Turn buckets upside down prior to opening, to promote easier mixing (make sure the lids are securely attached.)
3. Beat the heat- Applying the sealer in the morning hours allows easier spreadability and proper time to dry. If your driveway is above 85°F, lightly mist the surface to cool down and aid in spreadability of the material.

### APPLYING SEALER

1. Use a brush/squeegee applicator to apply sealcoat, not rollers. Rollers do a poor job of evenly distributing the sand mixture.
2. Brush sealer in a side to side motion. Start from your house and work to the street. This will hide imperfections and improve the look of your driveway.

### AFTER APPLICATION

1. Place empty buckets at the end of the driveway. This is the easiest and most cost effective protection for blocking your newly coated surface.
2. Check your driveway surface occasionally. All small problems can be corrected quickly and easily. Proper care will avoid costly repair.