



CARE & MAINTENANCE GUIDE

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Ekologix Screening is not a self-cleaning product and will need to be washed down periodically, especially in undercover areas.

Ekologix Screening performs best when exposed to the elements. Rain and UV generally degrade and wash away most stains naturally. When the boards are used in undercover areas, more manual cleaning may be required.

The amount of cleaning depends on what you consider to be acceptable. Ekologix Screening is an outdoor product and like any external product, it requires cleaning depending on its surrounding environment and your level of tolerance to dirt.

This guide will give you some basic principles that will help you maintain the natural beauty of your Ekologix Screening.

GENERAL CLEAN

A general clean is essential immediately after installation to remove tannins and surface debris from installation. To perform a general clean, scrub the screening in the direction of the grain with water mixed with dishwashing liquid or sugar soap using a medium bristle brush. Wash down thoroughly with a high-pressure washer or a garden hose with a fan spray nozzle.

Warning

You can use a pressure washer that is no greater than 1500 PSI and it should not be applied closer than 30cm from the screening surface. Use a normal fan nozzle and not a dirt blaster type nozzle.

NATURAL VARIANCES & WEATHERING

The weathering process for Ekologix Screening will vary according to exposure to different climates, sunlight and moisture. Ekologix Screening boards will usually achieve their fully weathered colour within 3-6 months. Slight colour variation of the boards will occur and are considered normal and not a defect or fault. Our aim is to replicate the variations found in natural timber to give your screening the most natural look possible.

THERMAL DEFLECTION

Due to the nature of polymers this product may exhibit a slight thermal deflection between posts, which may occur within 3-6 months after installation. This can be caused by heat exposure to one side of a board as opposed to the other. The extent to which this occurs is dependent on several factors including climate and the direction in which the screening is facing the sun. This phenomenon is not considered a product fault. You may wish to consider additional post support if this occurs.