



CARE AND MAINTENANCE BOOKLET

IMPORTANT: BEFORE YOU START

- The use of a pressure washer is applicable, with a wide fan tip, but only at pressures under 1,500 psi and at a distance of 12" above the deck. Exercise extreme caution when using a pressure washer because your deck can be damaged.
- Failure to remove debris from gaps may result in staining, and the growth of mold and mildew.
- NEVER use a METAL shovel to remove ice or snow from a evoDECK™.
- Oil / Grease / Food must be removed from the surface within a reasonable amount of time to maintain the 25 - Year Limited Stain Warranty.
- Varying degrees of mold and mildew might occur due to the level of heat and moisture present in your region.
- Exercise caution when walking barefoot as footwear may be required.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

1. Dirt and Debris

Solution: Surface debris should be sprayed off with a hose. Use warm soapy water and a soft non-metal scrub brush to remove dirt and debris within the embossing pattern. Scrubbing in the direction of the grain is best from the left to the right.

2. Tannins

Solution: Tannins may form when organic material gets stuck within the gaps of the deck and water starts to pool under it. Therefore, it is best to remove the debris within the gaps with a garden hose, spatula, or soft broom. Keeping the gaps clean will reduce the chances of tannins from forming leaving you cleaner deck.

3. Ice and Snow

Solution: Use calcium chloride or rock salt to melt the snow and ice. Buildup of calcium chloride and rock salt may occur leaving a white residue, which can be easily removed with warm soapy water and a soft non-metal scrub brush.

4. Oil / Grease / Food

Solution: All oil / grease / food spills must be removed promptly. To clean use warm soapy water and a soft non-metal scrub brush. Grease and oil may require an all-purpose cleaner if warm soapy water and a soft non-metal scrub brush do not work.

5. Irregular Heat Sources / Fire

Solution: Composite decking has the tendency to retain heat whenever presented directly or indirectly to it. Irregular heat sources such as, but not limited to, fire pits, fire places, and barbecue grills, and fire may damage the surface of UltraShield decking. Proper precaution should be taken when there are irregular heat sources or fire to ensure no damage will occur to the deck.

6. Masonry Construction

Solution: During masonry construction, the deck must be covered AT ALL TIMES. Preferably with a sheet of tarp or construction grade plastic film. Mineral deposits, left over from construction, can mix with water and evaporate leaving deposits behind which creates a white/haze on the decks surface.

To prevent this problem, ensure that masonry/cement construction is set properly before ever installing the decking material. If mineral deposits are left on the decks surface, regular maintenance is required in order to maintain the original look of the deck.

MINERAL DEPOSITS

Mineral deposits only appear on the deck surface when regular cleaning of evoDECK $^{\text{TM}}$ is not conducted. These deposits appear because rain mix with runoff from roofs, soil/dirt, pathways, and etc. When evaporated it creates a haze on the deck that can be washed away if seen within a certain time period. If this haze is not cleaned over time, it can build up

and create layers that are more difficult to clean.

Note: (In certain environments) Mineral deposits can appear more rapidly and serious. To keep mineral deposits from reappearing, EVORICH® recommends cleaning the boards at least once every 2 weeks.

In this guide, we will show you how to take care of mineral deposits that build up on the deck's surface.

MATERIAL / CLEANERS



In Figure 1, you can see the cleaners and materials that you will need to clean up the mineral deposits.

You will need the following materials:

- 1. Towel
- 2. Bucket
- 3. Water
- 4. Soft Bristle Brush or Broom
- 5. Dishwashing Gloves

Note: Always wear gloves when dealing with any of the following cleaners.

We recommend using the following cleaners to wash off the mineral deposits:

- 1. Household/Laundry Detergent
- 2. Vinegar
- 3. Toilet Bowl Cleaner

Note: Do not use any other cleaner that is not recommended on this list because it could potentially damage the decks surface. Also, never use the cleaners together when cleaning. Only use one of the choices to clean. Never mix the cleaners.

CLEANING THE AREA

OPTION 1: VINEGAR

In Figure 2, you can see the boards have mineral deposit on the top of the surface. We will be using a mixture of water and vinegar to clean off the boards.



1. First, we will need to make a 50/50 mixture of vinegar / water. We will start by pouring water into a bucket first as shown in Figure 3.



2. Then, we will add the same amount of vinegar to that bucket as shown in Figure 4.



After the substances are and throughly mixed together, we will apply the mixture onto the boards that are effected by the mineral deposits as shown in Figure 5.



4. After applying the mixture, leave it on the deck for at least 5 minutes to let the mixture soak into the mineral deposit, it makes cleaning much easier.

5. After allowing the mixture to sit for at least 5 minutes, take the soft bristle brush and begin to scrub in the direction of the grain. The strength

of the scrubbing will depend on how thick the mineral deposit is. Usually medium strength scrubbing is sufficient.

Note: When using soft bristle brush only scrub in the direction of the wood grain. Never ever scrub against the wood grain.

- 6. After scrubbing for about 1-2 minutes, rinse the area with water and dry the area with a towel to see the result.
- 7. After drying the effected boards should look brand new. As you can see in Figure 6, the difference between the area before cleaning and after cleaning is quite obvious.



Note: It might take multiple times to scrub the board in order to get the mineral deposit off the surface. Also, quicker results may be seen if you continuously scrub while adding the mixture on the effected area.

OPTION 2: TOILET BOWL CLEANER

Take the toilet bowl cleaner and apply it on each effected board as shown in Figure 7.



2. Then, pour water over the effected boards and rub together with the toilet bowl cleaner and water. Allow it to sit on the boards for at least 5 minutes as shown in Figure 8.



3. After 5 minutes, take the soft bristle brush and scrub in the direction of the wood grain for about 1-2 minutes.

Note: When using soft bristle brush, only scrub in the direction of the wood grain. Never ever scrub against the wood grain.

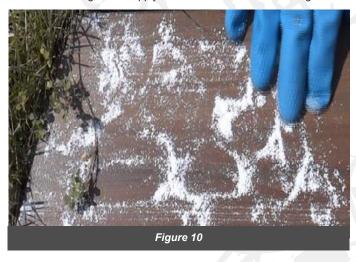
4. After scrubbing, rinse the area with water and dry with a towel to see the results. The results are shown here in Figure 9, you can see the are before cleaning and after cleaning is quite obvious.



Note: It might take multiple times to scrub the board in order to get the mineral deposit off the surface. Also, quicker results may be seen if you continuously scrub while adding the toilet bowl cleaner and water.

OPTION 3: HOUSEHOLD / LAUNDRY DETERGENT

1. Take the detergent and apply it on the boards as shown in Figure 10.



2. Then, pour water over the detergent and rub it on the boards. Allow it to sit for at least 5 minutes as shown in Figure 11.



3. After allowing the detergent/water to sit for 5 minutes, begin scrubbing with a soft bristle brush in the direction of the wood grain.

Note: When using soft bristle brush, only scrub in the direction of the wood grain. Never ever scrub against the wood grain.

4. After scrubbing for 1-2 minutes, rinse the area with water and dry with a towel to see the results as shown in Figure 12.



Note: It might take multiple times to scrubbing the board in order to get the mineral deposit off the surface. Also, quicker results may be seen if you continuously scrub while adding toilet bowl cleaner and water.

Reminders!

- 1. Retain your Evorich Flooring sales receipt.
- Keep records of the style and run number of your Evo HERF® planks. This appears on the outside of the carton alongside the barcode.

STYLE of evoDECK™:

Run numbers:

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