





Care & Maintenance Guide



CARE INSTRUCTIONS



IMPORTANT:

- Ensure that there is a minimum 6" ventilation under the deck and the required spacing between deck boards.
- Improve drainage or grade the soil to eliminate standing water under decks. Direct downspouts, downspout extensions, and splash guards away from decks.
- Use of wrought iron railing or other carbon steel materials in contact with, or above, a composite deck surface may cause dark extractive staining.
- · Position dryer vents away from deck.

Note:

If you are <u>planning to</u>
<u>use powerwash;</u>
1100 PSI at 10" above
<u>the deck surface</u>,
using a fan tip nozzle
to avoid damaging the
capping on the boards.

WHAT YOU NEED:



Bucket



Soap











MAINTENANCE TIPS:

- · Keep the deck dry and clean.
- · Clear debris from gaps between boards.
- · Avoid placing wet mulch against the deck.
- Raise items like flower pots to allow airflow and prevent staining.
- Don't use rubber or vinyl products on Clubhouse PVC Decking to avoid discolouration.
- Clean spills immediately to prevent stains.
- Avoid spraying insect repellent or sunscreen on the deck.

Powerwash (Optional)

- Use non-abrasive cleaners and test them in a small area first.
- Place heat sources on non-rubber/non-vinyl mats and keep them away from railings.

WASHING:

- Wash your deck with soap and water as often as needed, at least twice each year
- If soap and water isn't sufficient, an all-purpose cleaner can usually cut through the grease and grime

APPROVED CLEANING PRODUCTS:

- DAWN® (good for grease spots)
- FANTASTIK®
- MURPHY OIL SOAP®
- LESTOIL®

- WINDEX
- LYSOL®
- SIMPLE GREEN

POWER WASH:

- · A power washer may be used to clean your deck; but must be done with extreme care.
- Use dish soap detergent with the power wash
- You must use a fan tip nozzle
- · Wash in the direction of the grain pattern to avoid possible damage to the boards
- Use pressures less than 1,100 PSI at 10" above the deck surface

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STORAGE & HANDLING:

- · Avoid rubbing planks against each other when moving them to prevent scratches.
- When removing deck boards from the skids, the boards should be lifted and then carefully set down to prevent damage.
 - Do not slide tools or drag equipment across the top of the planks.
 - Keep the surface of the deck boards free of construction waste to prevent damage.
 - Adhering to the guidelines above when handling these deck boards will minimize any damage prior to, and during, the installation, while preserving the natural colour and wood grain appearance.



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Note:

DO NOT USE YOUR DECK AS A WORK BENCH. It's important to keep your deck free of excess dirt, dust, debris, paver, and other building materials during maintaining. For decking purchased <u>before February 1, 2017</u>, please email sales@trunorthdeck.com for advice about cleaning your deck.

POOLS & OTHER BODIES OF WATER

- · Chlorinated water from pools and spas will not harm TruNorth or Clubhouse boards.
- Our decking were designed to withstand marine/seaside environments. They are perfect for docks, boat slips, and beach house decks.

SNOW:

- · Use a leaf blower for light snow.
- · For heavy snow, use a plastic shovel.
- · Avoid metal shovels or sharp tools.
- · Shovel parallel to the deck boards to prevent scratches.
- **Don't use sand;** use calcium chloride or magnesium chloride-based ice melt or rock salt. Rinse off any residue with water or mild soap.
- Remove salt quickly to avoid stains.
- · Avoid ice melt with colourants to prevent staining.
- Sweep up granular pieces and remove any build-up with water and a non-metal brush.

MOLD & MILDEW:

- Mold, mildew, and fungi can grow on most surfaces, but TruNorth and Clubhouse Decking's capping prevents them from penetrating the core.
- Mildew stains can form where moisture, pollen, or dirt are present. Keeping the surface clean and dry helps prevent mildew.
- TruNorth Composite Decking has rice hulls that resist moisture and fungal decay.
- · Clubhouse PVC Decking contains no organic material, making it mold-resistant.

LOW-EMISSIVITY GLASS:

- · Reflection from Low-E glass and windows can cause excessive heat build-up on decking
- · When installing dark colours in hot sunny climates, it is recommended that you test samples in the area prior to installation

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TruNorth® Decking is not suitable for structural use. It should not be used for primary load-bearing members such as posts, joists, beams, or stringers. The same common-sense precautions should be taken when handling TruNorth® Decking as with wood or other building materials. Dust masks and eye protection devices are recommended to avoid possible irritation from sawdust and chips. Gloves will help to protect the hands. Hands should be washed after doing construction work.

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