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Maintenance Instructions

ISTAUSTIN, CEMENT COATINGS ARE ESPECIALLY DESIGNED TO PROVIDE MANY YEARS OF SATISFACTION, ENJOYMENT AND SERVICE, REQUIRING VERY MINIMAL CLEANING PRACTICES FOR MAINTENANCE.

ISTAUSTIN, CEMENT COATINGS DO REQUIRE WASHING ON A SEMI-REGULAR BASIS, WITH A HIGH PRESSURE NOZZLE TO PREVENT DIRT AND STAINS FROM BEING EMBEDDED INTO YOUR TEXTURE OR MASONRY FINISH, AND A RESEAL COAT EVERY FOUR TO FIVE YEARS. PLEASE FOLLOW THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE STUBBORNER SITUATIONS.....

HARD WATER DEPOSITS-RUST-SOIL-PLANT-WOODSTAINS.

Use of a squeegee and/or a push broom accompanied by hosing is the most effective method of minimizing these stains and should be included in routine cleaning of ISTA Cement Coatings. If stains begin to appear, clean area with CLR, Whink, or commercial cleaner and rinse well.

Heavier mineral deposits require more aggressive procedures such as a light acid wash.

- a. Mix muriatic acid solution (20%-40% acid to water.
(Always add acid to water not water to acid)
- b. Do not apply acid solution to a wet surface.
- c. Apply acid solution to damp surface with plastic sprayer or sprinkler can.
- d. Lightly scrub with a deck broom until the solution stops "fizzing"
- e. When the "fizzing" activity stops, it is a sign that the acid has finished working.
(Do not allow the solution to dry on surface.)
- f. Rinse off the solution with a high-pressure nozzle.
- g. Use a squeegee or deck broom to remove any excess water.
- h. Neutralize with soda ash, baking soda or TSP, scrub lightly.
- i. Rinse thoroughly and squeegee or broom off water.

Heavy deposits may require additional treatments and possibly a stronger acid to water ratio.

ATTENTION: Always wear protective eye and skin wear when working with any acid solution.

MILDEW-ALGAE

- a. This type of stain usually occurs in shaded locations where water puddles.
- b. If treated early, mildew and algae can easily be removed.
- c. Mix 50% pool chlorine to water.
- d. Apply directly onto affected area with plastic sprayer or sprinkler can.
- e. Lightly scrub the chlorine solution over the affected area.
- f. Allow the solution to soak without drying.
- g. Rinse the area completely when the solution has stopped reacting.
- h. Squeegee or broom water from deck surface.

Stubborn deposits require soaking with a more concentrated solution and moderate scrubbing.

BLACK RUBBER MARKS

- a. Apply concentrated solution of citrus cleaner with sprinkler can.
- b. Spread solution over the area with a deck broom.
- c. Scrub the area.
- d. Rinse thoroughly with high pressure nozzle.
- e. Squeegee or broom off water excess.

High traffic areas may require repeated applications for maximum results.

The best maintenance tip for black tire marks is to hose and clean the area on a regular basis to prevent a heavy buildup of rubber and asphalt residue

Other good cleaners that can be used include CLR, Nature's Orange, Amway LOC or TSP.

CHEWING GUM-TAR-TREE SAP

- a. Freeze with dry ice or CO₂ type fire extinguisher and chip off with putty knife.
- b. Spray remaining residue with dissolvent or goof off.
- c. Scrape off with putty knife.
- d. Clean area with citrus cleaner or equivalent.

PAINT

- a. Paint that is spilled or sprayed on ISTA, cement coatings should be wiped off with a cloth as soon as possible, if paint has dried, touch-up with ISTA cement coating finish coat. Apply as you would water based paint, heavy paint globs must be Scraped off prior to applying the finishing coat.

GREASE-OIL-BEVERAGE-FOOD

- a. Apply a solution of citrus-based cleaner or equivalent.
- b. Scrub the area with a brush or broom and rinse thoroughly.

Additional scrubbing or applications may be required for stubborn stains.

****Citrus based cleaners such as Nature's Orange, Simple Green and TSP work very well, and are available at Home Improvement Centers and janitorial supply stores****