

# **Exterior Products Cheat Sheet**

### **Wood Preparation:**

Before choosing a finish it is important to determine what condition the wood is in.

In all cases, wood surfaces should be free of dirt, debris, loose wood fibers, and previous coatings. The moisture content of the wood should always be **below 18%** before treatment.

### **NEW WOOD:**

- / New wood is often sold with high moisture content.
- Acclimation periods are necessary after installation to allow the moisture content to lower and resinous/pressure treat compounds to leave the wood.
- ✓ 6 weeks for softwoods, 12 weeks for cedar and pressure-treated lumber.
- ✓ For best results mill glaze should be sanded away at p80 – p100 to allow better finish penetration.

# **REFINISHING EXISTING WOOD:**

- For best results surfaces should be sanded to p80 – p100 or abraded with wood restoring wire wheel tools.
- ✓ Surfaces that have no finish remaining can often just be washed with Osmo Decking Cleaner prior to refinishing.
- Greyed/loose wood fibers can be sanded away or scrubbed away with Osmo Wood Reviver Power Gel.

#### Why you should NOT pressure wash wood

• Pressure washers force excess moisture into wood far beyond standard washing or rain. Pressure washers leave the moisture content far too high for any finish to be used. High pressure also breaks the bonds of the surface fibers and leaves the exposed surface of wood "furry" and poorly adhered.

• In the event that a surface has already been pressure washed it must be allowed to dry for 2 weeks before finishing and also have loose fibers scrubbed away from the surface.



# **Decking Oil**

Recommendations: Universal finish for any exterior surface. Best choice for durability on decking.

- $\cdot$  Natural oil-based protective finish for exterior wood
- · Microporous breathable penetrating finish
- $\cdot$  Safe for humans, plants, and animals
- · Twice the coverage of competing products

Approx Coverage 258ft²/L (24m²/L) per coat Number of Coats 2 coats

Application Temperature +5°C to 35°C Approx. Dry Time 12 hours



## **UV Protection Oil (Vertical surface only)**

Recommendations: Fencing, Cladding, Pergolas, Exterior doors/ windows.

 $\cdot$  Utilizes active UV inhibitors allowing for a clear finish with UV resistance.

- Biocides added to 420/tints to inhibit mold and mildew growth for added longevity
- $\cdot$  Natural oil-based protective finish for exterior wood
- · Microporous breathable penetrating finish
- $\cdot$  Twice the coverage of competing products

Approx Coverage 172ft²/L (16m²/L) per coat Number of Coats 2 coats

Application Temperature +5°C to 35°C

Approx. Dry Time 12 hours



## One Coat Only HS Plus

Recommendations: Ideal for garden furniture, timber frames, pergolas. Can be used on all exterior surfaces.

**Note:** This product has a lower abrasion resistance compared to Decking Oil, customers should be educated that Decking Oil is higher durability. It can however, be top coated with UV Protection Oil 410/420 for vertical applications or Decking Oil 1277 Clear for added durability.

- $\cdot$  Cost effective for large colour transition in only one coat
- · Extremely high coverage at 700ft<sup>2</sup> per 2.5L can
- · Minimalistic finish

Approx Coverage 280ft²/L (26m²/L) per coat Number of Coats 1 coats

Application Temperature +5°C to 35°C Approx. Dry Time 12 hours

### **Country Colour**

Recommendations: Ideal for wood cladding, balconies, windows, timber framing and sheds.

Note: This product can be mixed to create custom colours.

- $\cdot$  Can achieve soft and bright tones by mixing colours
- · Extremely high coverage at 700ft<sup>2</sup> per 2.5L can
- · Microporous breathable penetrating finish
- · Safe for humans, plants, and animals
- · Twice the coverage of competing products

Approx Coverage 280ft²/L (26m²/L) per coat Number of Coats 2 coats

Application Temperature +5°C to 35°C Approx. Dry Time 10-12 hours

