

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Thank you for choosing the Urban Concrete architectural precast panel. As a natural product, enhanced by its large component of recycled material, it offers superior sustainable and generally requires minimal maintenance. The panels have been sealed with a UV stable waterborne sealer, that is a high performance penetrating product, to protect against general weathering occurring over time. After installation of the your product, some general cleaning may be needed due to the concrete dust generated from cutting/drilling. As well, concrete will develop a natural patina during the life cycle of the product due to atmospheric weathering and periodic cleaning may be appropriate.

CLEANING YOUR PRODUCT:

The following are cleaning guidelines that can be performed on the panels without damaging the surface if done correctly. (It is recommended to always test any cleaning solution on a small, inconspicuous area in case it reacts with the panels finish.)

- Use mild detergents only with a soft bristle brush and rinse thoroughly. <u>DO NOT</u> use heavy abrasive, bleach-based, ammoniated cleaners, abrasive scrubbing pads or scraping tools. Use of such cleaners may impact the sealer, resulting in less stain resistance and may/could cause discoloration. We do not recommend the use of natural cleaners (*due to their citrus base*) as the cleaning agent, as many are highly acidic. If requiring a stronger wash, the use of a neutral cleaner, such as "Simple Green", diluted with warm water would be recommended.
- The use of a power washer using a fan spray nozzle (only), is acceptable with a pressure under 700PSI and keeping a distance of the washer wand head at least 3 feet (1 meter) from the surface during spraying. Putting the tip closer could cause damage and impact the sealer.

MAINTENANCE:

Sealer re-application may be necessary over the life time of the product, subject to local and regional environmental factors. Also, areas that may be close to grade levels where wind bourne debris, piling of snow, salt etc, can work to abrade the surface over time. Re-application may also be necessary dependent upon the harshness of the cleaning regimen employed to remove any graffiti. Contact the manufacturer or representative for assistance with the re-application process for the sealer.

By following these guidelines you can insure your product will continue to provide long-lasting durability and performance.

