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## CLEANING

Quatro Design's Glassfibre Reinforced Concrete (GRC) products can be cleaned with a damp cloth / fine scouring pad and mild soap-based cleaning products such as diluted sugar soap. Abrasive cleaning products and strong chemicals should not be used. Rinse all surfaces with clean water and a damp cloth after cleaning to remove any soap residue. We recommend using ammonia-free products.

## SEALANTS

Non-painted products have SureSeal EZY AS 1-2-3 penetrating sealer applied to protect the surface against oil and water-based stains, additionally, seating modules also have SureSeal Graffiti Shield applied.

For maintenance information and queries on the sealant please visit [suresealants.com.au](http://suresealants.com.au).

## TIMBER

We use native Australian hardwood, known as Spotted Gum, for all timber seating units (unless specified differently). Where timber elements are incorporated into standard products the timber is oiled with Cabot's Natural Decking Oil (unless timber and sealant otherwise specified). We recommend reapplying with the same or similar oil every 6 months. If tint from the oil should leach onto the surface of the product, it can be cleaned as indicated above.

## WATERPROOFING

Our bowls, pots and planters come standard with Sealit Multipurpose Acrylic Clear waterproofing. Painted products and selected ranges like our Deco collection and Gem planters are waterproofed with SikaTite BE Bitumen Emulsion.

Where products are used as ponds and water features we use Crommelin Pond Sealer.

## MAINTENANCE OF PAINTED SURFACES

In order to achieve maximum life from painted coatings the following is recommended:

- Paint can take up to 4 weeks to fully cure, avoid cleaning painted surfaces until fully cured.
- Use ammonia-free cleaning products, gently wipe the product surface and allow to dry.
- Never scrub painted surfaces, this will polish the surface and cause shiny patches. Use a soft sponge or cloth and a gentle wiping motion, rinse the area to remove any traces of the cleaner.
- Exterior painted surfaces benefit from annual cleaning as per the cleaning guidelines above to remove surface contaminants and chalking. Chalking is the natural break-down of the paint film, when removed the paint appears brighter and cleaner.
- For exterior coatings that are close to high vehicular traffic areas, more cleaning may be required. Regular removal of road fall-out will help prevent degradation of the coating which may be caused by air-borne chemicals.
- **Where products have been painted with special effect, such as rust or bronze, please contact us direct so that we can advise based on the paint supplier's maintenance requirements.**

## AFTER-SALE PAINT APPLICATION

We do not recommend painting seats and seat planters, as paint applied to seats tend to fade, scratch and develop marks easier than unpainted GRC surfaces. The anti-graffiti coating will also have to be removed.

To apply paint to bowls, troughs and pots we recommend the following:

- Sand the product surface to remove dirt and sealants.
- Clean the product surface as indicated above before applying an under-coat according to the paint instructions
- We recommend using acrylic water-based exterior paint for concrete or masonry products.

## CONTACT US

Contact us for any cleaning and maintenance queries

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