

# CARE & MAINTENANCE

Exterior Collection

Vision  
Wood



# MAINTENANCE GUIDE

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## COLOR & CHARACTERISTICS

Vision Wood Exterior Collection is constructed of Heat-Treated lumber, which is thermally modified to increase dimensional stability and resistance to rot, mold, and insects. The process of thermalization makes for a more consistent color pallet in the wood, but as with all natural products, expect variation. While Heat-Treated products will silver/grey when exposed to sunlight, this will not affect overall performance. We recommend Penofin™ exterior sealants, or equal, to maintain the original color.

## DIMENSIONAL STABILITY & NATURAL COLOR VARIATION

Dependent on factors including humidity, UV exposure, and weather, the overall color of the wood will transition at varied rates. Minor color differences between our HT offerings are natural. Vision Wood's thermalized Exterior Collection is superior in dimensional stability. However, as a natural product expect some movement when presented with extremes of climate.

## STORAGE

Vision Wood Exterior products are best stored out of direct sunlight until installation occurs. Our exterior products should be stacked above grade and wrapped in a waterproof membrane with open ends. Open air circulation helps to maintain a healthy acclimation schedule for the wood tiles within the project's environment. Prior to installation, our HT materials should not be exposed to moisture.

## CUTTING & SEALING

We recommend carbide blades when cutting our lumber. If one is resawing the ends of our HT boards, we also recommend applying a sealer such as Anchorseal, or equal, to the cut ends in order to minimize natural checking. At Vision Wood, we suggest applying a sealer with a foam brush to the freshly cut ends, making sure you do not seal the top surface.

## DECK BOARD WEATHERING

Minute stress fractures are common with exterior wood products. Typically, these cracks are not wider than 1/16" and have no length limitations. Efforts can be made to reduce this natural process, such as scheduled maintenance and care with exterior oil-based products such as Penofin. As always, make sure to abide by the manufacturer's application specifications for best practices. Note that application of oil-based finishes will alter the overall color of the wood.

## CLEANING

Due to our thermal modification process, our HT line of products is constructed from low maintenance woods that remain smooth even when wet. This allows for simple removal of particles through normal cleaning with a soft-bristled brush and water.

## CLAIMS

On a case by case basis, Vision Wood LLC will replace any damaged boards from a justified claim. Installation of our Heat-Treated Elements Collection is acceptance of the product.

## DISCLAIMER

Due to the nature of our Heat Treated lumber, our Exterior products will vary in appearance when exposed to the elements. Furthermore, minor surface cracking and natural aging color progression will occur. These changes do not mitigate our products' overall durability and performance. We tirelessly strive to provide the best exterior wood products, and we continuously refine our product development. We may alter this document without further notice to reflect our efforts in such endeavors.

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