



When other timber coatings fail
professionals turn to CUTEK®

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CUTEK® QuickClean Industrial Timber and Engineered Wood Cleaner

Do you need an industrial grade general purpose cleaner for use on dirty wood and other substrates such as barbecues?

CUTEK® Quickclean is a biodegradable cleaner, that will eat the job, by cutting through all types of grease and grime.

If your timber is grey or heavily stained by tannins or iron, we recommend our professional grade wood cleaning product, **CUTEK® Proclean**.

Always patch test **Quickclean** before use.

- Powerful, cost effective general all surface cleaner
- Remove grime from timber, bamboo or composite materials



Before you apply



Because of the wide variation in substrates and types of stains, always test **CUTEK® Quickclean** before starting your project. This will help you determine how much time you'll need to leave **CUTEK® Quickclean** on the timber and how much product you will need for the job.

How to apply

Unlike bleach, **CUTEK® Quickclean** is not considered a strong defoliant, however, we recommend using absorbent drop cloths to protect delicate and/or adjacent vegetation and surfaces.

CUTEK® Quickclean must be diluted 8:1 with water. Always test to determine if the dilution being used is effective in cleaning. If the timber is proving difficult to clean, it might be more cost effective to use **CUTEK® Proclean** instead of **CUTEK® Quickclean** on a large project.

Application

Before you begin, note the hazards and precautions on this website and the can labelling, and ensure that you use the correct safety equipment as detailed in the Safety Data Sheet.

After testing a patch of timber, apply **CUTEK® QuickClean** liberally to the timber substrate with brush, roller, or garden sprayer. Let **CUTEK® QuickClean** do most of the work by letting it sit on the surface for 10 – 20 minutes, or such time as deemed to be necessary by the test procedure. It may be necessary to scrub stubborn stains moderately with a stiff fibre brush.

Removal

Once **CUTEK® QuickClean** has cleaned the timber, it must be power rinsed off thoroughly. For best results, power rinse with a high-pressure washer set to under 750 p.s.i. (50 bar), with a fan jet pattern to avoid damage to the wood fibre.

Clean from the highest point and work down methodically. **ALWAYS** clean off with a water jet that produces a “putty knife” shaped fan that is 40–50mm wide about 100mm out from jet. Adopt a continuous “mowing action” working with power water fan-jet 100mm from the face of the substrate. **DO NOT** use “turbojets” on timber.

CAUTION must be used when cleaning soft timber to reduce the pressure and avoid damaging the sapwood. The longer that **CUTEK® QuickClean** is left on the substrate, the greater the rinse time required. Additionally, certain types of wood surfaces may leave a raised grain effect after stripping is completed. Sanding or poly pad scrubbing may be required to smooth out this condition.

Recoating with a CUTEK® oil

Following the restoration of the timber with **CUTEK® QuickClean**, it is important to complete the restoration process by coating the timber with an appropriate **CUTEK®** oil, following the procedure detailed in this website.

Not treating the timber after cleaning will result in the weathering process occurring more rapidly than prior to cleaning.

Precautions

CUTEK® QuickClean will make surfaces slippery so **DO NOT** walk on the surface until it is dry. Water flush all equipment, vegetation, paths, concrete, asphalt, and other adjacent surfaces immediately upon contact. Leave job site free of any trace amounts of **CUTEK® QuickClean**.

Always remember that **CUTEK® QuickClean** is a hazardous chemical, and refer to the health and safety considerations listed in the MSDS sheet prior to commencing any project.

Fully protect adjacent surfaces including vegetation and be aware of the potential for wind drift into areas with cars or pedestrian traffic when rinsing or applying.

Never leave behind any containers or equipment, and appropriately label any containers of residue for disposal.