

## Why Do I have Mould Growing on my Composite Decking?

Mould growth is normally a result of a poor cleaning regime, poor installation (inadequate drainage or poor ventilation), consistently damp conditions or an area shaded under trees. Most of the mould you first see on the composite decking is in-fact growing on surface dirt. Once mould has established itself it will continue growing and attach itself to the decking surface. If you keep the composite surface clean you should not have any issues with mould growth if fitted correctly.

For mould/fungus to grow on the surface of Composite Decking it requires a number of elements. These include

- Food, this can be anything from an accumulation of dirt, leaf mould or any organic material build up (commonly referred to as 'bio-film').
- Shade, from trees, garden furniture or surrounding buildings, etc.
- Moisture, the decking is in such a position that moisture stays on the surface for prolonged periods of time or situated in a damp area (woodland, or by a river/pond).

Combine any of these elements and you have the perfect habitat for mould/fungal growth.

## How do I Remove the Mould and Stop it Re-Occurring?

It is vital that you treat the <u>whole</u> deck area as soon as you spot the mould. Start by thoroughly covering the area with 'Simply Gone' (available from **ecodek®**), it is a very easy to apply and environmentally friendly product that you just spray on and leave to work. (Read our separate instruction leaflet that deals specifically with the application of 'Simply Gone'.)

It should be noted that while "Simple Gone" will clear the decking mould/fungal growth and eradicate the fungal spores. It should not be treated as an alternative to a regular cleaning routine!

If you have any issues or would like more information regarding "Simply Gone." Please contact Russ Williams and he will answer any questions you may have.

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