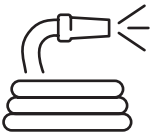


PANEL DESCRIPTION / COMPOSITION

CEMINTEL BARESTONE™ EXTERNAL ARE FIBRE CEMENT CLADDING PANELS THAT HAVE BEEN COMPRESSED FOR ADDED STRENGTH AND PREFINISHED ON ALL SIDES WITH CEMINSEAL™ – A CLEAR COATING WHICH PROVIDES WATER RESISTANCE WHILE MAINTAINING THE NATURAL APPEARANCE OF THE FIBRE CEMENT.

BARESTONE™ EXTERNAL



CLEANING

Barestone™ External panels have been coated with Ceminseal™, a transparent silane based coating which penetrates 3mm into the face of the panel to provide superior long term water resistance. Depending on how much rain will naturally fall on the panels to rinse off pollutants, panels will need to be cleaned from time to time. Generally a rinse down with a hose will be all that is required. Use no more than 700psi (50kh/cm²) of water pressure (with nozzle on fan mode) at a minimum 500mm distance from the face of wall. Water pressure should be applied downward and away from joints to avoid water leaking into the joints and potentially damaging the gasket tape.

A diluted neutral detergent eg. Palmolive may be used with a soft brush or sponge to remove dirt from a panel. Do not use harsh cleaners or scrub with a hard brush/abrasive pads as this may damage the coating.

For newly installed panels, wash down thoroughly in accordance with the above cleaning instructions to remove debris collected on the surface of the panel during the transportation, installation and construction process.



BLACK AND WHITE SPOTS IN BARESTONE PANELS

Barestone™ External panels go through regular quality checks during the manufacturing process, however as with natural timber and stone, every Barestone panel is unique in colour and patterning. Some panels may have white or black (charcoal) mineral deposits from the raw materials used in the manufacturing process. This randomness and uniqueness are what gives Barestone its character and is not a fault. Although they don't impact the integrity of the panels, they should not be removed.



REMOVING SMUDGES

Avoid touching the black spots, as they may leave marks on the panel. If smudges occur, they can be removed with a rubber eraser if required, giving a light sand with 180 grid sandpaper. Sanding should only be done in line with sanding marks and/or along the length of the sheet. Repeat as required.



INSPECTION, REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE

The durability of the Barestone™ External panel can be enhanced by periodic inspection and maintenance. Inspections should include examination of the coatings, flashings and seals. Ensure ventilation and drainage gaps between panels and flashings are clear of any debris.

Any cracked or damaged panels, flashings or seals which would allow water ingress should be repaired immediately by resealing the affected area, or by removing the panel and replacing. Chips or cuts to the surface of the panel can be sealed by applying Cemintel's Edge Sealer which dries transparent, maintaining the natural finish while protecting against moisture ingress.



RECOATING

To refresh the appearance of the panel, Barestone can be recoated with the Cemintel Edge Sealer. This will also enhance the water resistance of the panel and consequently minimise the absorption of environmental pollutants.

Prior to recoating, the surface should be cleaned (refer above) and allowed to dry thoroughly (3 days in sunny conditions).

Cemintel Edge Sealer can then be applied simply with a roller. Always test first in a non-conspicuous area.

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