

Timber Product Maintenance

TOWN AND PARK TIMBER: Town and Park has the capacity to source and supply timber of any species that your project may require. We have selected FSC® Certified Manilkara Bidentata & Manilkara Huberi as the timber species of choice across our product range.

FINISHES: Should Hardwood timber be left exposed, untreated, it will naturally weather and assume a light grey appearance. This does not affect the structural integrity of the timber itself, however over an extended period of time this may cause the timber surface to crack and open slightly.

OIL: In order to obtain the best results from timber furniture, long term Town and park supply our timber coated with a water resistant, food safe, non-toxic plant based oil containing only biologically and environmentally responsible ingredients.

PAINT: Should a project dictate we can also supply furniture with timber battens painted using Dulux Weathershield, a water-based gloss acrylic coating. All colours available as parts of the Dulux Exterior Colour Booklet are available for application.

MAINTENANCE: In addition to the initial treatment applied prior to furniture assembly, it is important that a scheduled maintenance program is put in place to ensure that the timber delivers on its inherent qualities for years to come.

Due to the extremely dense, fine grain of our select grade hardwood timber, initial coatings of treatment only penetrate the upper layers of the timber, this may result in a fading of the original colour over a period of the first 3 months. We would recommend that within the first 3 months a second coat of the selected treatment be applied by the customer.

As the timber weathers over a period of time the natural grain will open up, allowing future treatments to penetrate even deeper into the timber, allowing maintenance frequencies to be reduced.

A useful visual indicator that timber requires re oiling is that water ceases to bead on the surface.

EXAMPLE PROGRAM

Initial Oil Application:	Completed by Town and Park prior to assembly
First Onsite Application:	3-6 months after the installation
Second Onsite Application:	6 months after first onsite application
Ongoing Maintenance:	Every 12 months

For oiled timber each site application should involve sanding with a fine sanding block followed by the removal of dust with a soft brush or cloth and then application of the treatment.

Painted timber should be cleaned with soft brush and warm water using a mild detergent. Stubborn stains or marks may require the use of a mild abrasive cleaner. Moisture should then be removed from the furniture prior to the application of the surface treatment.

Care should be taken when using strong chemical cleaners (during graffiti removal for example) as this will also remove any surface treatments. Whenever chemical cleaners have been used then a reapplication of the surface treatment should be applied outside of the normal maintenance program.