

Cleaning Your Asphalt Surface

Preparing the asphalt surface is a critical step that ensures your StencilCoat bonds properly.

Read this easy-to-follow instruction guide for general cleaning, follow the steps and ensure your surface is properly prepared and ready for coating.

Print a copy so you have them handy throughout the preparation process.

You'll need the following items to properly clean your asphalt surface:
(you can also refer to the online shopping list we have provided)

De-Greaser (Tuff-Stuff, Simple Green, are two examples) a stiff broom, a plastic sprinkling can, a garden hose with a pressure washer nozzle and household bleach.

Broom The Complete Driveway

- Using a stiff push broom, broom the entire driveway surface that will be coated.
- This will remove larger residue and allow you to move on to the cleaning of grease and oil stains.

Cleaning Grease and Oil Stains

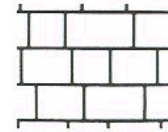
When grease or oil is present on the surface:

- Thoroughly saturate the oil residue area with the De-Greaser.
- Follow all safety instructions on the de-greaser label.
- Using a stiff broom, agitate the entire surface to make sure the De-Greaser removes all the stains.
- Let the solution sit for at least 10 minutes.
- Using a garden hose with a pressure washer nozzle, rinse the surface thoroughly with clean water so that no cleaning mixture remains.
- Repeat this procedure on stubborn oil stains.
- Allow the surface to dry for at least 24 hours.

Before applying StencilCoat, give the surface one last sweeping with a stiff broom to remove any remaining residue.



Surface Preparation



Removing Mildew or Mold

When mildew or mold is present on the surface:

- In the plastic sprinkling can, mix 1 part bleach to 3 parts warm water.
Caution: make sure to always pour the bleach into the water so the bleach doesn't splash on you.
- Sprinkle the solution evenly on your surface.
- Scrub the mildewed areas with a stiff broom.
- Let the solution sit for at least 10 minutes.
- Using your garden hose, rinse the surface thoroughly with clean water so that no cleaning mixture remains.

Important: Wear protective glasses or goggles, waterproof gloves and protective clothing. Quickly wash off any of the mixture that comes in contact with your skin. Do not add detergents or ammonia to the bleach/water solution.

Etching your Surface

You should not etch asphalt surface.

Ensuring the Surface is Dry

The concrete surface must be dry before applying StencilCoat. StencilCoat will not bond properly to a wet or damp surface.

- After the final rinse, let the surface dry for 24 hours, this will ensure a dry surface ready for coating.
- To check to ensure the surface is dry enough, place several small pieces of poly (about 12" x 12") randomly on the area you are about to coat.
- Wait 1 hour and check for condensation on the under side of the poly. If condensation is visible, allow more time for the surface to dry and repeat the poly test.
- Before applying your coating, give the surface one last sweeping with a stiff broom to remove any remaining residue.

You are now ready to apply StencilCoat.