

THE END TO TIMBER EXPOSURE



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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What is Dulux Timber End Sealer?

Dulux Timber End Sealer is designed for sealing cut ends, nail punched recess of pre-primed timber and can also be used for the touch up and repair of marked or damaged primed surface.

ANSWER

Why is end-sealing important?

To minimise moisture uptake by sealing the surface and so helping to prevent wood rot or the timber cracking.

When should I apply Timber End Sealer?

Apply immediately after cutting or exposing fresh timber ends to prevent moisture uptake.

What types of timber benefit from end-sealing?

All types, especially hardwoods and green (untreated) timber.

How do I apply Dulux timber end-sealer?

Before spraying: Shake can for at least 2 minutes or until the mixing ball rattles inside the can. During spraying: Hold the can upright 20-25 cm from the surface. To ensure compatibility, test spray on an inconspicuous area. Use smooth, even strokes parallel to the surface.

How many coats are needed?

Apply two to three coats in a single visit rather than one heavy coat to avoid runs and sags. Inspect after coating and make sure all exposed wood fibre is covered. If needed, allow time to dry and recoat.

Can I apply end-seal in wet or cold weather?

Avoid application in rain. Follow the product's specific temperature and humidity guidelines. For best results, avoid spraying in low temperatures (less than 15°C) or high humidity.

How long does it take to dry?

Touch dry within 2-3 mins. Overnight for full curing.



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Can I sand or paint over end-seal?

How to clean and maintain the timber end-sealer spray cans?

How long does end seal protection last before topcoating?

Can End Sealer be used on fibre cement style weatherboards to seal ends?

Is this a replacement for timber treatment?

ANSWER

Yes. For best results and optimal smoothness, lightly sand the dry primer and remove all sanding dust between applications and before top coating.

After spraying: Prevent nozzle blocking by turning can upside down and spraying until clear gas emerges. Wipe the nozzle clean. Clean up overspray while still wet with Mineral turpentine if necessary.

If the cut end is to be left exposed to the weather, then it should be topcoated within 3 months. If it's hidden in joinery, then it doesn't need top coating.

Yes, Timber End Sealer can be used to seal cut ends of Fibre Cement.

Cut ends require sealing to prevent water ingress which leads to wood rot & the timber cracking. Timber treatments penetrate the timber but may not penetrate all the way to the middle. When you cut an end, you are exposing the timber & it needs to be protected. Timber treatments provide protection against fungal decay and termite attack. The ends must then be sealed to protect from water ingress.