

TIMBER MAINTENANCE - FREESTANDING TIMBER



Forpark Australia's Freestanding Timber range is manufactured using Jarrah. Jarrah is a hardwood known for its durability and resistance to insect attacks. All playground equipment and componentry requires regular general inspections as outlined in Forpark Australia's Safety and Maintenance Schedule. The additional specific maintenance requirements for FreeStanding Timber are outlined in this document.

It is recommended that all Timber is inspected as follows;

Weekly – Check for vandalism, and for any missing or damaged parts. Check all accessible surfaces for splintering and warping.

Every one (1) to three (3) months – Check timber for splintering, splitting/cracking, warping, pests, disease and deterioration of timber coating; and coat with Dulux Intergrain UltraDeck if required. Check and tighten as required all fixtures and fittings. Replace any damaged items.

Annually – In addition to the previous inspections it is advised that all timber is treated with a coat of Dulux Intergrain UltraDeck on at least an annual basis.

Prepare the timber surface by;

- Sanding splintered areas;
- Sand flaking;
- Filling significant splits/cracks using Sikaflex-Pro;
- Removing unwanted fungi from logs and if required, paint with fungicide (choosing a product suitable for children's environments);
- If required clean surface with Dulux Reviva;
- Apply one coat (or two if required) of Dulux Intergrain UltraDeck.

Regular inspection and maintenance will ensure that your Timber remains safe and protected from the natural environment, increasing the life of the product. Optimum protection of timber and ease of maintenance is ensured if timber is recoated before deterioration of the coating and timber underneath. First indication of the need for recoating will be observed as patchiness in colour or discolouration on edges. Note: These instructions are intended as a guide. Please be aware that more extreme environmental conditions could necessitate more frequent maintenance. All maintenance works should be carried out by a suitably qualified person. Please contact your local Forpark office if you would like any further advice

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