

Care and Use of StaynTech™ Blockbleed™ & Addgregate™ Treated Surfaces

CLEANING

Should the treated surface become dirty, marred, scuffed, or otherwise in need of cleaning, follow the recommended steps. Before beginning ensure cleaning agents do not fall on the “don’t” list. Follow manufacturer’s guidelines for use, except as listed below. In all cases, **do not** allow the cleaning agent to dry on the surface. Generally, pre-wet the surface, apply cleaner, scrub briefly, and then rinse. Clean in sections so that cleaner remains on the surface no more than five (5) minutes.

General Cleaning: In general, the least aggressive approach should always be used first. A garden hose with spray nozzle attached will remove the vast majority of dirt. A mild dish detergent, such as Palmolive® (Colgate), Dawn® (Procter & Gamble) or other commercially available liquid soap, diluted 1:50 or more, can be used in combination with a sponge, or long handled mop to remove most dirt and scuff marks. A brush can be used provided it is soft bristled (**not** a commercial-type scrub brush, or wire brush). Alternatively, use a long-nap roller to remove dirt. Be certain to rinse thoroughly, with large amounts of water, at least three (3) times. Do not let the surface remain submerged, or wet for more than forty-five (45) minutes.

Mold, mildew and other organic materials: Mold and the like can be removed using detergent (as above), or a dilution of 1 cup bleach to 1 gallon of water. As before, pre-wet the surface before applying the bleach solution. Do not allow the bleach solution to dry on the surface, and be sure to rinse thoroughly. Do not use a more concentrated bleach solution.

Graffiti, and similar surface marring: contact BrickImaging, Inc. Do not use paint removers, or sandblasting as both of these will ruin the surface, and result in a null and void warranty.

Pressure Washing: Wetting and rinsing of treated brick with a pressure, or power washer is allowed, but care should be taken not to use a pressure above 500 psi.

Abrasives: Do not use chemical or physically abrasive methods to remove stains. Do not sandblast, or use similar methods, on treated surfaces.

Cleaning Don’ts: Be sure to avoid cleaning agents which, although not listed specifically below, are noted as being “caustic”, “acidic” or “basic”. The following list is not exhaustive and care should be taken to use only those agents listed above.

muratic acid	Krytol Brick Cleaner (Kryton Industries)	paint remover
brick cleaner	Jomax (William Zinsser & Co., Inc.)	automatic dishwasher detergent
Oil-based substances	Acetone	

ATTACHING ITEMS TO TREATED SURFACES

In general items should not be attached to the treated surface, but should it become necessary to mount something, please follow guidelines below.

Temporary Mounting: For temporary mounting use Command Mounting Products and Adhesive Strips (3M) If tape must be used, use only masking tape such as Scotch-Blue Painter’s tape (3M). Notes and small pieces of paper can be attached using Post-It™ -type paper. Use these products according to manufacturer directions, and do not allow product to remain on the surface for an extended period of time. Suction cups can also be used to temporarily mount items on the treated surface.

DO NOT use rubber cement, spray adhesive, transparent, semi-transparent tapes, duct tape, or any other permanent or semi-permanent adhesives.

Permanent Mounting: Should it be necessary to permanently mount a fixture, normal masonry drilling equipment and methods should be used.

REPAIRING OR REPLACING BRICK

Should it become necessary to replace, or repair a section of treated brick, please contact BrickImaging, Inc. If re-pointing (tuck pointing) of the mortar is necessary, contact BrickImaging, Inc.

LADDER AND SCAFFOLDING WARNING

Care should be used when scaffolds and ladders are used against treated brick as they may mar the surface. Use protector pads, tap-wrapped, or towel wrapped ends on ladders, and do not allow scaffolding to rest against the surface of the treated masonry.

RECOMMENDED PRODUCT LIST:

Command Adhesive Strips	http://www.3m.com/us/home_leisure/command/products/index.jhtml
Painter’s Tape	http://www.3m.com/brands/scotch/pc_painters.jhtml
Post-It paper	http://www.3m.com/us/office/postit/
Dawn dishwashing	http://www.pg.com/main.jhtml
Palmolive dishwashing	http://www.colgate.com/app/Palmolive/US/Home.cvsp

NOTE:

Using methods and products not approved by BrickImaging, Inc. on StaynTech™, Blockbleed™ or Addgregate™ treated surfaces will result in the warranty becoming null and void. Contact BrickImaging, Inc. before using any products, or methods of a questionable nature, or which are not specified above.