



Your Porcelain paving, like any other part of your garden or home, requires some periodic maintenance to keep it in tip top condition, however this need not be time consuming or expensive. We have put together this guide to give you all the information you need to know.

PLEASE NOTE:- The following is a guide only. All chemicals must be tested on a small, inconspicuous area prior to full treatment. Always seek professional advice before applying any product to your Porcelain paving.

Porcelain paving should not be sealed under any circumstances. The Porcelain has very low levels of porosity (0.5%) and a sealant will be unable to penetrate into the tile. Instead, it will leave an oily film on the surface which will attract dirt and grime.

Clean the Porcelain as and when required (usually once or twice per year) with LITHOFIN 'OUTDOOR CLEANER'. This is a general cleaning agent and will also help to remove algae, light cement stains, organic stains, light efflorescence, picture framing and many other stains and marks. Always test cleaning products on a small area prior to full application. Before cleaning, sweep the Porcelain to remove any loose dirt or detritus which could act as an abrasive agent when moved around the surface of the Porcelain by the water jet. Then, following the instructions on the bottle, spray the product onto the tiles, leave for up to 4 hours and then rinse clean with a jet-wash. This process may need to be repeated for stubborn marks. When using the jet-wash, be sure to select a medium pressure and hold the nozzle at least 500mm away from the surface of the tiles in order to prevent the water jet from etching them.

For stubborn cement residue remaining after installation, a product called LITHOFIN 'BUILDERS CLEAN' can be used. As always, test the product on a small area prior to full application. Dilute the product as per the instructions on the bottle, apply evenly to the surface of the Porcelain and scrub with a stiff deck brush, then rinse clean with a jet-wash. This process may need to be repeated for stubborn marks. When using the jet-wash, be sure to select a medium pressure and hold the nozzle at least 500mm away from the surface of the tiles in order to prevent the water jet from etching them.

Please note:- Take care during the installation process to clean any cement or mortar off the tiles as you go. Especially on textured products, cement can become lodged in the surface of the Porcelain and, if allowed to go off, can be incredibly difficult to remove even with the use of cleaning products.

