

Hardscaping Cleaning Guide



Outdoor living areas require cleaning from time to time. The process is not overly complicated and mild detergent is usually sufficient to clean normal dirt and grime. Below are some instructions on how to clean outdoor surfaces. We are always available to answer questions if you need clarification or help with specialty stains. Thank you and good luck!

Tools/Materials:

- Garden Hose
- Hose Nozzle (preferably one with a shower setting)
- Brush or push broom
- Detergent (Powdered Tide, Oxi Clean, or something similar.)



Directions for use:

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<p>Wet the surface with water.</p>	<p>Distribute powdered detergent on the surface.</p>	<p>Scrub surface with a stiff bristle brush or push broom to move cleaner around and break up dirt, grime, etc.</p>	<p>Rinse surface with garden hose and nozzle on shower setting until all bubbles disappear.</p>

For stubborn stains or stains from rust, candle wax, oil, efflorescence:

Paver shampoo is available at Site One Hardscape Center (1625 E. Westinghouse Blvd Pineville, NC)

Specialty cleaners are available but are corrosive and should be used by professional cleaners.

Further Information

Muriatic acid should NOT be used on concrete pavers.

Pressure washers should NOT be used on patios with polymeric sand joint filler UNLESS the sand needs to be removed for a complete poly sand restoration.

Do not allow cleaners to dry on the surface. Only apply cleaner to a small area at a time, working from area to area. Clean a small area to test the product before cleaning the entire area.

The entire area should be cleaned to avoid discoloration.

Polymeric sand is water activated so if you need to touch up the joints, wait until the surface is completely dry before installing the sand. We use Gator Maxx G2 poly sand from Site One.

Wet and Forget is a good product to limit the growth of moss and algae. Follow instructions on the label.

If hiring a professional cleaner make sure they have experience with pavers natural stone and cultured stone.

For further service and repairs, please call The Stone Man 704-616-7948.