

IMPORTANT

It is highly recommended that the entire Diamond Kote Care and Maintenance Guide is reviewed for best practice methods for Diamond Kote® Siding System. The following guide is an in-depth guide for cleaning best practices: diamondkotesiding.com/documents/care-and-maintenance-guide

A local, reputable, experienced exterior cleaning company is highly recommended by Diamond Kote Siding System.

CLEANING

A number of factors will contribute to how well siding can be cleaned..

Depending on location and climate conditions, your siding may be subject to accumulations of dirt, debris, chalk, mold, mildew, etc. Below you will find general recommendations for cleaning.

- Prior to any cleaning, always test an inconspicuous area with your cleaning product.
- Periodic washing is highly recommended. Using a garden hose with low-pressure spray, wash down a section of a wall. Using water and mild detergent, wash the siding with a soft brush or sponge. When washing, work from the bottom up. When the section is complete, rinse the area down thoroughly with a low-pressure rinse and move to the next area.
- After the wash is complete, check your work for missed areas, and spot clean as needed.
- Never use harsh cleaners, high pressure, abrasives or strong solvents, which may damage the paint or surface. If the dirt does not wash off, it may be mildew or fungal growth.
- With regular cleaning, most elements associated with environmental exposure will not be able to excessively accumulate.

ADDITIONAL TIPS

Dirt, Construction Debris, Chalk, Grease or Organic matter	
Cleaning Product	Mild dish soap, mixed with water
Tools	Soft bristle siding brush [1], mop bucket [2], garden hose [3]
Procedure	First wet the siding with a light spray from a hose. Dilute your dish soap with water in a mop bucket. Dip the siding brush in, then brush the siding in the affected area. Scrub thoroughly, as the residue can gather in the wood grain of the siding. When completed, rinse well with water.

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ADDITIONAL TIPS

Always work in small areas at a time. When a section is complete, check the affected areas once they have fully dried to ensure the cleaning procedure was successful.

Figure 1. Soft bristle siding brush. Note: a soft bristle is critical for an effective clean

Figure 2. Mop bucket

Figure 3. Garden hose



Figure 1.



Figure 2.



Figure 3.

PRECAUTIONS

Care must be taken to prevent any cleaning products to fully dry on the siding. This is especially important on hot and/or dry conditions. To ensure the cleaning product and the residue removed from the siding can be easily rinsed off, it needs to remain wet while you are working.

Never use high pressure spraying devices on Diamond Kote products. It is more likely that damage will occur, rather than cleaning.