

Working With Cetol® Log Decor

■ Preparation Procedures

New, Unfinished Wood

1. Remove hardware. This will make the preparation faster and easier. Hardware that can not be removed should be taped.
2. Clean the surface with a solution of four ounces of 100% powdered Tri-Sodium Phosphate (TSP) or phosphate free substitute in one gallon of warm water. Do not allow cleaning solution to dry on surface. Use a damp cloth or sponge to remove residue from the surface and allow to dry.
3. Fill all holes and cracks with a good quality tinted or stained acrylic wood filler to match the color of the project. Let dry fully before sanding. Do not use oil-based fillers, putties or wax sticks.
4. Sand the surface using 150-180 grit sandpaper. Always sand wood with the grain to achieve a smoother surface without sanding marks. Remove sanding dust by vacuuming, then wipe surface with a damp cloth to remove final dust particles.

Tips

- *It is always recommended to perform a two-coat color test on a sample of the wood.*
- *Avoid direct sunlight, which may cause uneven color because of shortened open time and poor penetration.*

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■ Application Procedures

New/Bare Wood

1. Follow the preparation procedures
 2. Apply first coat of Cetol Log Decor
 3. Let surface dry for minimum of four hours
 4. Lightly sand with 220 grit sandpaper or a fine scuffing pad and remove the dust
 5. Apply second coat of Cetol Log Decor
 6. Clean tools with soap and water
- *Smooth wood coverage: 400-500 sq. ft./US gallon*
 - *For high-wear areas, apply a third coat after four hours of dry time*
 - *The second or third coat can be substituted with Cetol BL Interior Clear for less color or a different sheen*

Application Do's ...

- *Apply when the surface and air temperature is 50°F/10°C to 95°F/35°C*
- *Thoroughly stir the product before application; shaking can cause bubbles in the finish*
- *Apply an even coat using a synthetic nylon-polyester brush*
- *Apply in a well-ventilated area*
- *Apply in the direction of the wood grain*
- *Intermix batches to ensure color consistency*

Application Don'ts ...

- *Do not apply on kitchen tables or kitchen cabinets*
- *Do not apply if humidity is above 80%. High humidity could cause hazing*
- *Do not apply in areas of high humidity such as bathrooms or pool rooms*
- *Do not use steel wool for sanding*

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■ Maintenance Procedures

The longevity of the coating system depends on many factors such as daily wear & tear and exposure to ultraviolet light. Simply apply a refresher coat of Cetol Log Decor or Cetol BL Interior Clear when required by following the procedure below.

1. Follow preparation procedure steps one and two above, reducing the cleaning solution to two ounces of 100% powdered Tri-Sodium Phosphate or phosphate-free substitute.
2. Sand the project surface with 220 grit sandpaper. Remove sanding dust by vacuuming, then wipe surfaces with a damp cloth to remove final dust particles.
3. Apply one to two coats depending on the extent of the wear.