



## **Commercial Warranty, After Care & Maintenance Guide For Trailflex Porous Paving**

Whilst every effort has been made to ensure that your Trailflex surface is of the highest quality, it will look better and last longer if a few simple maintenance procedures are adopted.

### **Normal Use**

Trailflex surfaces are intended to be used by the normal pedestrian or vehicular traffic for which they have been designed. Protection should be provided wherever possible against abnormal usage.

### **Abnormal Use**

Heavy objects, such as waste skips, should not be dragged across the surface and in the event of heavy vehicle traffic please ensure that the vehicle refrains from dry steering as it may cause superficial damage. The surface should not be used by tracked machines or vehicles as this will damage the surface Trailflex is resistant to most contaminants, such as oil and grease, however, in the event that hazardous materials come in into contact with the surface please contact your supplier for advice on removal.

In some very rare cases Trailflex surfaces may be marked due to the removal of individual pieces of rubber or aggregate by exceptional point loading.

### **Routine Maintenance**

Avoid excessive amounts of soil or detritus being left on the surface as this can cause weed growth and effect porosity. If this occurs, sweep the surface clean with a stiff broom and hose down with clean water.

### **Ice or Frost on the surface**

Trailflex is freeze thaw tested and is unlikely to present any significant frost or ice. However, if for any reason this situation occurs, the removal of ice or frost from the surface can be achieved with the application of salt.

## **Cleaning - Chewing Gum Removal**

Individual pieces of chewing gum can be removed with a freezing aerosol on the gum followed by scraping off the hardened gum with a wall/paint scraper. For more extensive removal of gum, we would recommend seeking the advice of a specialist cleaning contractor.

## **After Installation**

After installation some stone varieties can shale, especially flints. This first occurs just after installation for the first year as the angular points of the flint can brake. This only occurs in the first 2mm and will not affect the integrity of the system.



## Washing

Washing can be carried out using a portable pressure washer (up to 150bar rating) to remove dirt, grime etc. providing care is taken not to damage the surface with excessive pressure. Please ensure the water lance is kept at least 200mm from the surface and a fan type jet used. This will prevent the sub base being washed away underneath. The surface can also be vacuumed in dry weather if desired.

For more extensive washing we would recommend contacting a specialist cleaning contractor.

## Cement or Concrete Marks

Cement or concrete marks can be removed with careful use of dilute hydrochloric acid or a proprietary cement remover immediately followed by thorough rinsing with clean water.

(Please note that if a lime based aggregate has been used, the acid will tend to dissolve this as well).

## Repairs and Damage

Small areas of damage can be repaired using the same blend as the surrounding surface. Dependent on the age of the original material, the patch repaired may take some time to tone in.

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