



## How to Prepare and Coat a Wood Surface with DECKOVER® Coating



### For Best Results

Before applying DECKOVER coating to a wood surface, be sure to use BEHR® PREMIUM PREP PRODUCTS. Whether your existing wood surface is uncoated or coated, the BEHR PREMIUM PREP PRODUCTS will allow the newly applied coating to fully adhere to the wood surface and will ensure a longer lasting, more durable finish.

### Preparing an Uncoated Wood Surface

Uncoated wood may still have mill glaze or loose wood fibers which can cause a coating to fail. The PREMIUM PREP Products will prepare the uncoated surface, allow the DECKOVER coating to fully adhere to the wood surface, and ensure a longer lasting, more durable finish. **Proper cleaning will help remove dead and loose wood fibers from the wood surface which is especially important for aged wood.**



### Step 1

Wet surface with water prior to cleaning. Using a pump sprayer, apply BEHR PREMIUM® All-In-One Wood Cleaner NO. 63 to the wood deck surface. Keep the surface completely wet with solution for 10-15 minutes.



### Step 2

Scrub surface using a stiff bristle broom or brush. Reapply the cleaning solution as needed to keep the surface wet.



### Step 3

Thoroughly rinse the surface area with clean water using either a garden hose with a high-pressure nozzle or a pressure washer.



### Step 4

Continue the process until the entire project area is complete. Allow the area to dry completely.



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### Preparing a Coated Deck Surface

Faulty, existing coating can prevent full adhesion of your new DECKOVER coating. The BEHR® PREMIUM PREP PRODUCTS will help strip the old finish, allow the new coating to fully adhere to the wood surface, and ensure a longer lasting, more durable finish.

#### Stripping Peeling Coating (See Label for Proper Protective Equipment)



##### Step 1

Using a roller or nylon/polyester brush, apply BEHR PREMIUM® Stain & Finish Stripper NO. 64 to a small section of the coated wood deck surface. Reapply the stripper as needed to keep the surface wet for at least 15 minutes. Do not allow the product to dry.

**TIP:** Most deteriorated finishes will start to lift after 15–30 minutes.



##### Step 2

Using a stiff bristle broom or brush, scrub the section after the finish begins to lift.



##### Step 3

Thoroughly rinse the surface area with clean water using either a garden hose with a high-pressure nozzle or a pressure washer.



##### Step 4

Repeat the process of applying product and scrubbing in small sections until all peeling coating has been completely removed.



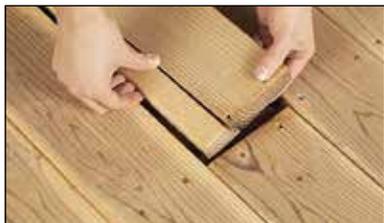
##### Step 5

Apply BEHR PREMIUM® All-In-One Wood Cleaner NO. 63 to clean and neutralize the surface prior to coating. Allow the area to dry completely.

## Apply DECKOVER Coating

### Step 1

Replace any rotting or unstable boards. You may use a wood filler to fill cracks and holes larger than 1/4".



### Step 2

For nail holes and cracks up to 1/4", completely fill in with DECKOVER coating using a nylon/polyester brush prior to coating. Deep holes and cracks may require additional filling.



### Step 3

Using a 2"-2½" wide brush cut in a 2"-3" wide area around the deck floor where the roller cannot reach. Start at a corner and follow the grain of the wood.

**TIP:** To prevent lap marks, only cut in a small area of 2 to 3 board widths at a time.



### Step 4

Pour DECKOVER coating into a paint tray and work a roller into the tray until it is fully loaded with coating. For best results, use a 1/2" roller cover.

**TIP:** For larger areas consider using a 5-gallon bucket and a bucket grid.



### Step 5

Apply a generous, even coat in the same section as the cut in and roll the coating approximately 4' down the boards.

**TIP:** To avoid lap marks, do not roll onto a new section until the previous section has been completed.



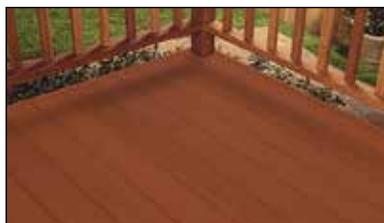
### Step 6

Reload the roller with coating and continue to the next 4' section. As you go, roll back into the section immediately after the coat is applied. Continue rolling until the first coat is completely applied.



### Step 7

Once the first coat is completely dry, fill in any remaining cracks if necessary and roll out the second coat.





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## Recommended BEHR® Products

-  BEHR PREMIUM® Stain & Finish Stripper NO 64
-  BEHR PREMIUM® All-In-One Wood Cleaner NO. 63
-  BEHR PREMIUM DECKOVER® Coating

## Suggested Equipment

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|  Bucket                     |  Hose                 |  Protective Apparel |
|  Broom (Stiff Bristle)      |  High Pressure Nozzle |  Pump Sprayer       |
|  Brush (2"–2½")   |  Paint Can Opener     |  Rags               |
|  Bucket Grid                |  Paint Tray           |  Roller Cover       |
|  Chemical Resistant Gloves |  Paint Tray Liner    |  Roller Frame      |
|  Drop Cloths              |  Painters Tape      |  Stir Stick       |
|  Extension Pole           |  Plastic Sheeting   |  |
|  Vinyl Gloves             |  Pressure Washer    |  |