

# TECHNICAL BULLETIN: DECK-O-SEAL<sub>®</sub>

**TWO-PART, ELASTOMERIC, POLYSULFIDE-BASED JOINT SEALANT** 

## **CARE AND MAINTENANCE:**

Standard industry practices should be followed to ensure a long service life for DECK-O-SEAL.

### **POOL WATER CHEMISTRY:**

Be sure to follow industry standard practices for maintaining well-balanced pool water. Best practices include using filters, sanitizers, and algaecide to prevent biological contamination and growth within the pool. Excessive shock treatments can cause a temporary chalking (white residue) on the sealant, which dissipates as chlorine levels return to normal. This does not affect the long term viability of the DECK-O-SEAL joint sealant.

### **SEALANT CLEANING:**

DECK-O-SEAL should be cleaned with a mild detergent and a soft bristle brush. Be sure to use no abrasive products.

### **SEALANT MAINTENANCE:**

If the DECK-O-SEAL joint sealant is damaged within the joint and the bond is intact, cut out the affected area and reapply as directed in the DECK-O-SEAL technical data sheet application instructions. If the bond has been affected, remove DECK-O-SEAL from the joint before cleaning the substrate and reapplying as directed in the applications instructions.

## **SPILL LIQUID REMOVAL:**

Spills can be removed by quickly applying a solvent and blotting clean.

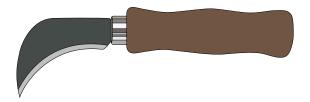
## **SET-UP SPILL REMOVAL:**

Set-up errant spills that occur at the time of application and are not cleaned up before set will have to be mechanically removed with a wire brush or a mini-grinder. Be careful not to damage the surface of the concrete.

#### **DECK-O-SEAL REMOVAL:**

Remove old DECK-O-SEAL by following these steps:

1. Get a linoleum knife or a razor knife.

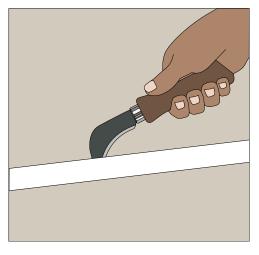


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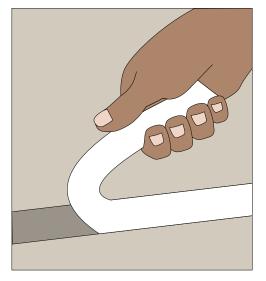
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2. Run the blade of the knife down each side of the sealant up against the concrete edge.



3. Pull the old sealant.



4. Clean any remaining sealant off using a wire brush or grinder being careful not to damage the finish on the deck.

- 5. Clean out any and all remaining debris.
- 6. Prepare the joint for the new sealant.

7. Wipe the edges of the sidewalls of the joint with alcohol just prior to applying new sealant.

**NOTE:** Due to the tenacious bond of DECK-O-SEAL and its ability to fuse well in chemical environments such as swimming pools, its resistance to chemicals can make it very difficult to remove and must be removed by hand, hook knife, or mini-grinder.