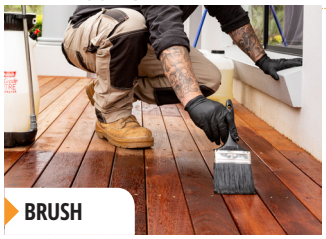
Allgon Timber Treatment for Borers and Termites

FAQ's

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Q: What are the best application methods for Allgon Timber Treatment?

A: The product can be applied by brush, roller, spraying or dipping









Q: What container sizes is this product available in?

A: 5 & 15 litre containers.



Q: How do I clean up?

A: Brushes and rollers can be rinsed out in water. No solvents required.



Q: What are the application rates for Allgon Timber Treatment?

A: 0-25 mm depth: 125 mL/m2
25-50 mm depth: 250 mL/m2
50-100 mm depth: 500 mL/m2
Internal treatment: 5 mL/1000 cubic cm

Q: Before applying the product, what preparation do I need to consider?

A: For best results, it is important to apply Allgon Timber Treatment to dry timber, free from excessive dirt, grease, paint or any coatings that may inhibit absorption of the product.

Q: How to enhance the treatment on very dry surfaces?

A: When treating very dry surfaces, the treatment can be enhanced if the surface is sprayed with water 3 to 4 hours prior to applying the product.

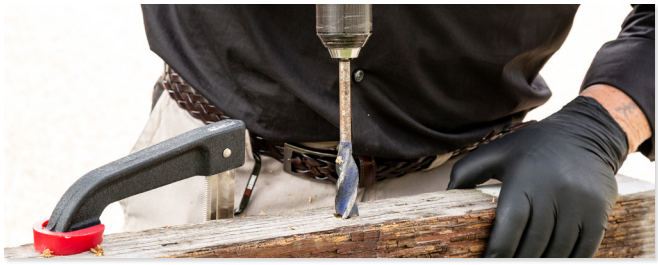


Q: How many coats are required for severe infestations?

A: For severe infestations, apply two coatings of Allgon Timber Treatment for Borers and Termites 3 hours apart.

Q: How to improve internal penetration of larger sections of timber structures?

A: To assist in the internal penetration of larger sections of timber structures, drill into the sections every 600 mm with a 5-20 mm diameter hole. Fill with product and stop up ends.



Q: Can I cut timber that has been treated?

A: Yes, treated timber can be cut, notched or drilled.

Q: What nails, screws and fixing should be used with treated timber?

A: Use hot-dipped galvanised coatings for nails, screws and fixings for all outdoor applications. In more extreme conditions or near the coast, stainless steel fixings and connectors should be used. It is also important to design the connections to drain and shed water and to reseal any cut ends.

Q: Will the treated timber corrode metal fittings or fasteners?

A: No, normal steel nails and plates are suitable for use as fixings.

Q: Can I fix hardwood decking over treated timber bearers and joists?

A: Yes, but consult a nail manufacturer's advice. Generally treated timber bearers have good holding power but require longer nails than hardwoods for fixing.

Q: How long does the product take to dry?

A: Up to 3 hours, depending on the density of the timber

Q: How long does the timber treatment last?

A: Allgon Timber Treatment is guaranteed to remain termite resistant for at least 25 years.

Q: How regularly should Allgon Timber Treatment be applied?

A: On average every 3 to 5 years. For best maintenance results, re-apply within 12 months and subsequently every 18 months. If extreme environmental circumstances prevail, retreat when necessary.

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Q: Can I paint or stain treated timber?

A: Yes. If you desire to apply a paint, stain, clear water repellent or other finish to your treated timber, we recommend following the manufacturer's instructions and label of the finishing product.

Before you start, we recommend you apply the finishing product to a small exposed test area before completing the entire project to ensure it provides the intended result before proceeding.



Q: Is maintenance required on treated timber projects?

A: Treated timber products help protect timber from fungal decay and termite attack. However, moisture, sun and outdoor conditions may cause the timber project to show signs of weathering.

Natural weathering such as raised grain, splitting, checking, twisting, warping, shrinkage or swelling occurs in timber treated or untreated.

To help reduce the effects of natural weathering, the use of a clear water repellent coating or a semi-transparent water repellent coating product is recommended.

Q: Is treated timber weatherproof?

A: Strictly speaking no timber is weather-proof and the colour will grey, and the timber may crack over time as it gives off and absorbs moisture. All timber absorbs and gives off water depending on local conditions.

Q: How does mould affect treated timber?

A: Mould occurring on treated timber products is typically not an indication of fungal decay attack.

Mould growth can occur on the surface of many products, including untreated and treated timber, during prolonged surface exposure to excessive moisture conditions.

To remove mould from the treated timber surface, timber should be allowed to dry. Typically, mild soap and water can be used to remove remaining surface mould.

Q: Can I burn timber that has been treated with the product?

A: The treated timber industry advises the same precautions for burning all treated timber products, they should not be burned and should be disposed of in landfill.

Q: Can I dispose of treated timber at the local tip or landfill?

A: Small amounts of treated timber waste, such as off-cuts generated during home projects may be disposed of through normal household waste collection services or at local landfills.

Treated timber should not be placed in any green waste or garden organics recycling bins.

Trade users of treated timber should be able to dispose of treated off-cuts through normal commercial waste collection services or at local landfills.

However, regulations and local services vary so you should contact the local council or the state environment protection agency.

Q: What safety precautions should be considered?

A: Refer to the SAFETY DIRECTIONS, printed clearly on the product packaging label, before using this product.



Q: How do you safely handle treated timber?

A: Use the same precautions for handling treated timber, as you would for handling untreated timber. Sensible, normal practices and hygiene should apply. Minimise exposure to sawdust particles and splinters by using suitable masks and gloves and washing hands before eating.

Q: Are the chemicals in Allgon Timber Treatment safe?

A: All timber preservatives are registered by the APVMA, which considers the effectiveness of the preservative and its safety in the anticipated uses. A registration is only granted when the preservative satisfies these two aforementioned criteria.

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Q: Does the Boron or Monoethanolamine leach out of treated wood into soil?

A: The chemistry of timber treatment results in the product being chemically attached inside the wood, so that it remains in the timber.

Nevertheless, highly sensitive chemical analysis may detect small amounts of these chemicals in soil next to the treated wood. In most cases however, these small levels are well below the concentrations found naturally present in the environment.

Q: Is it safe to use treated timber in a picnic table or on countertops?

A: Treated timber products can be used for outdoor picnic tables. We recommend that the picnic table be covered to prevent food from contacting the timber surface. It is not recommended that any treated timber product be used as a countertop. Do not put food directly in contact with treated timber.

Q: Can treated timber be used in contact with vegetable gardens?

A: Studies have shown that timber treatments are not absorbed into food crops like cucumbers, tomatoes and grapes. Some root crops like carrots and beetroots have been reported to pick up small amounts, but it is in an organic non-toxic form and in any case is largely removed by peeling the vegetable.