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**TIMBER SELECTION GUIDE**  
**DECKING TIPS**

**GIFT CARD BONUS OFFER!**

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# Decking Deals!

DECKING MATERIAL	GRADE	ORIGIN	BAL RATING	
 <p><b>TREATED PINE</b>            DAR pencil round.            Graded to the smooth side.            Random lengths.</p>	Standard	Australia	N/A	
 <p><b>PREMIUM TREATED PINE</b>            DAR pencil round.            Can also be used as screening.            Random lengths.</p>	Clear	Australia	N/A	
 <p><b>SPOTTED GUM KD</b>            DAR pencil round.            Random lengths.            Pre-oiled also available            Add \$1.80 p/lm</p>	Standard & Better	Australia	BAL29	
 <p><b>QLD SPOTTED GUM</b>            DAR pencil round.            Random lengths.            Pre-oiled also available            Add \$1.80 p/lm (86mm)            Add \$2.50 p/lm (136mm)</p>	Standard & Better	Australia	BAL29	 
 <p><b>SILVERTOP ASH</b>            Smooth face, pencil round.            Random lengths.            Pre-oiled also available            Add \$1.80 p/lm (90mm)            Add \$2.50 p/lm (134mm)</p>	Standard & Better	Australia	BAL29	 
 <p><b>JARRAH</b>            DAR pencil round.            5.4 set lengths or random lengths.            Pre-oiled also available            Add \$1.80 p/lm</p>	Standard & Better	Australia	BAL19	

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DECKING MATERIAL		GRADE	ORIGIN	BAL RATING	
	<p><b>FLOODED GUM H3</b></p> <p>DAR pencil round. Random lengths. Pre-oiled also available Add \$2.50 p/lm</p>	Standard & Better	Australia	BAL12.5	<p>125X22 <b>\$1150<sup>LM</sup></b></p>
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   	<p><b>MODWOOD WOOD COMPOSITE</b></p> <p>Reversible, brushed or smooth. Won't warp, crack or splinter &amp; requires no sanding or sealing. For best results use Kleva Klip concealed fixing system. 5.4m lengths.</p>		Australia	N/A	<p>88X23 <b>\$55<sup>EA</sup></b></p> <p>137X23 <b>\$89<sup>EA</sup></b></p>
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Owning timber or wood products can be a very satisfying experience and it is important to get the right advice to complete your timber project. Follow the recommendations below to achieve the best result from your timber finish.

### PREPARATION

When preparing timber, there are two different timber cleaners one for brand new timber and one for weathered. Ensure you choose the correct cleaner and follow the instructions. This is a vital part of the process to get as much mileage as possible out of the coating.

Haymes Woodcare has two, easy to use and convenient timber cleaners designed specifically for new and weathered timbers.

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**RAPID PREP**  
300G



For a new timber, we recommend Haymes Woodcare Rapid Prep, it is used to remove surface tannins and extractives to optimise the performance of the finish coat.

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**RAPID PREP**  
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**RAPID PREP**  
1 LITRE



For grey and weathered timber, we suggest using Haymes Woodcare Wood Cleaner to revive and restore the timber prior to coating.

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**RAPID PREP**  
4 LITRES

### COATING THE TIMBER

A common mistake is not applying enough product to timber. It is important to find out how many square metres you need to cover, and work out how much product will be necessary.

Do not apply product to your timber if rain is expected within the next 48 hours, and do not apply in direct sunlight. Follow manufacturer's directions and use good quality brushes and applicators to suit the project.

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**UVEX PRIMER**  
4 LITRES

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**UVEX FINISH**  
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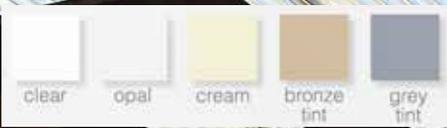
### MAINTENANCE

Once you have stained your timber, it is important to follow a maintenance routine to ensure it lasts. An important part of maintenance is regular inspection. Signs to check for include lack of sheen, lack of colour or a patchy appearance. This indicates that you need to recoat – do not ignore the signs! Do not let the coating go back to bare timber, as this will begin to rapidly deteriorate your wood. A good rule of thumb is to look at it before Christmas and coat at that time, so you can be sure the house is looking great for holiday season gatherings. Regularly clean your timber finish with a mild detergent and rinse thoroughly with clean, fresh water.

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## EXPLAINING TIMBER DECKING TERMINOLOGY

While decks are a popular DIY project, for a lot of people the different names used for the timber components in a deck can be confusing. Here we explain the key timber pieces used when building a simple timber deck.

### POSTS

Posts are the vertical pieces of timber in a deck and have a square end-section (when you look at the top of the post). They support the structure of the deck. If they are H4 treated they can be concreted directly in the ground. If H3 treated, then they must be installed in a mounting bracket or stirrup bolted to or concreted into the ground.

### BEARERS

Bearers bear the weight of the deck. They are usually fitted into notches cut into the posts and then bolted in place. Run your bearers in the same direction as you want your decking boards to run. Bearers can be H3 treated as they shouldn't be in contact with the ground to ensure good air flow around the deck and preventing moisture build up.

### JOISTS

Onto the bearers go the joists. Their job is to support the decking boards. These are usually set at 450 centres which means there is a 450mm span from the centre of one joist to the centre of the next joist.

To make sure you choose the right timber size, length and grade for your joists, always refer to the relevant manufacturers span tables.

### DECKING BOARDS

The final component of a deck's construction is the decking boards. Fixed to the joists and running parallel to the bearers, decking boards provide a surface to walk on and lock the joists together. When fixing any treated pine into place always use zinc galvanized or stainless-steel fixings. If you don't they will corrode and compromise the look and strength of your deck.

Don't leave any gaps between decking boards as once installed they will dry out slightly creating a gap. For LOSP treated or Dry decking leave a 3mm gap between boards.

### BAL RATING

The Bushfire Attack Level (BAL) is a measure of the potential impact of bushfire for a Fire Danger Rating of 50.

It takes into account the types of bushfire prone vegetation surrounding your development, its proximity to your building site and the slope of your land.

The closer your development is to bushfire prone vegetation, the greater the potential for bushfire to impact your building. As such, a high BAL may apply. The further your development is from bushfire prone vegetation, the lower the potential for bushfire to impact your development and a lower BAL may apply.

There are six BAL levels for design: BAL-Low, BAL-12.5, BAL-19, BAL-29, BAL-40, and BAL-Flame Zone. Each level informs your Building Designer or Builder of construction requirements to reduce the impact of a bushfire.

The requirements for each BAL level are set out in the Australian Standard, Construction of buildings in bushfire prone areas.



## DECK HEIGHT AND HANDRAIL REGULATIONS

When it comes to constructing a deck, there are a surprising number of regulations that apply. Some of the most vital regulations concern the height of the deck, whether a handrail or barrier is required and if so, how it should be designed. These requirements have been developed specifically to prevent deck-related injuries, especially for decks located high above ground where a fall could cause serious injury or death.

### WHEN IS A HANDRAIL REQUIRED?

The Building Code of Australia (BCA) advises that a handrail is required where there is the possibility of falling over one metre or more from a floor or building. In other words, a deck less than one metre (1m) above ground is not required to have a handrail, though depending on the height it may still be recommended.

Decks four metres (4m) from the ground or higher need to meet additional design requirements. For these decks, the handrails must not have any climbable elements located between 150mm and 760mm of the floor. This means horizontal balustrades are not allowed to be used at this height, and vertical balustrades should have no footholds.

### WHAT ARE THE REGULATIONS FOR A HAND RAIL?

There are a number of spacing regulations that determine what materials you may use to construct a railing and where your railing components need to be placed. The hand rail itself should stand a minimum of one metre from the surface of the deck, with a clearance no more than 125 mm from the surface of the deck and the balustrades should have no spacings greater than 125mm to prevent large objects falling through.

The width of each baluster and railing will need to take these measurements into account. For instance, a railing using stainless steel wire as a balustrade will need more strands to accommodate spacing requirements than balustrades created from tube steel. There are spacing requirements for the maximum span between railing posts as well as for intermediate vertical supports.

There are regulations concerning the capacity for loads on the rail as well. These regulations advise how much weight or strain a railing should be able to bear from reasonable pressure such as people leaning on it or strong winds. The regulations vary according to contributing factors, including the type of dwelling you have, what material your railing is constructed from, and even things like how many bolts you've used to secure it.

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This information sheet is supplied by Meyer Timber to provide advice which may benefit in the selection, installation and maintenance of timber decks. As such it is not intended as a complete reference and clarification or more detailed advice should be sought from a suitably qualified building professional.

## Decking Selection:

The species chosen for decking boards should take into account factors such as exposure, maintenance costs, and initial outlay. Often by spending a little more at the beginning you can save both time and effort over the long term keeping up the appearance of the deck. Radiata Pine (softwood) and Merbau (hardwood) are the most common species found but other hardwoods include Blackbutt, Spotted Gum, Balau, Pelawan and Cypress. The stability and durability of decking boards is roughly based on density as denser timber takes longer to absorb/expel the moisture which makes it expand and contract. Average densities of common species are shown below.

Species	Radiata Pine	Cypress Pine	Merbau (Kwila)	Blackbutt	Balau	Pelawan (Northern Box)	Spotted Gum
Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	550	700	850	900	900	1000	1100

Pencil round or Reeded are the typical decking profiles available as shown below. Reeded profiles can be laid with the ribs up or down although it is general practice to have the ribs facing down. This keeps the board to joist interface dry and also stops moisture retention that can occur between the ribs. Common board widths range from 70mm to 140mm. Narrower boards allow for better drainage and have less expansion and contraction with moisture changes so are less prone to cupping. Timber decking boards are normally laid on joists at 450crs. For this spacing a thickness of 19mm is required for hardwood and 22mm for softwood decking boards.

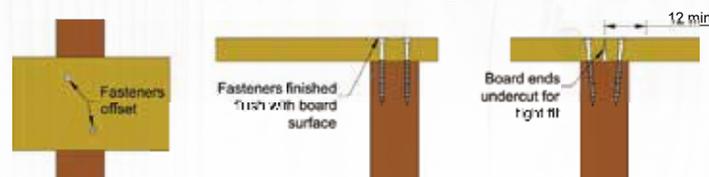
Pencil Round Profile

Reeded Profile

## Decking Installation:

**BEFORE INSTALLING** When decking boards are delivered to site they must be stored on a flat surface, off the ground and kept dry. Prior to installation the decking boards should have an initial coating application on all four sides. This helps seal the timber to minimise moisture ingress and reduce the incidence of tannin/resin bleed.

**INSTALLATION** Timber decking is a natural material that will expand and contract. Make sure you keep a gap between decking boards to let water drain away and allow for movement. A gap of 10mm between deck boards and external walls of adjacent buildings is recommended for drainage. Board spacing depends on the width of the board but a guide is 3-4mm for 90mm boards and 5-6mm for 140mm boards. Note that if wet decking boards are laid, when they dry out the gaps between them will increase. Similarly if very dry boards are laid when they get wet the gaps could close up and even force the boards to start cupping in extreme cases. Joints should be staggered across the run of boards. End butt joints should be undercut and pressed together to prevent any gaps opening up if contraction occurs. There are many different fasteners for decking boards, including proprietary hidden fixing systems, and individual manufacturers should be consulted on suitability. Fastener specification depends on the joist material the decking boards are being secured to, with some examples shown below.

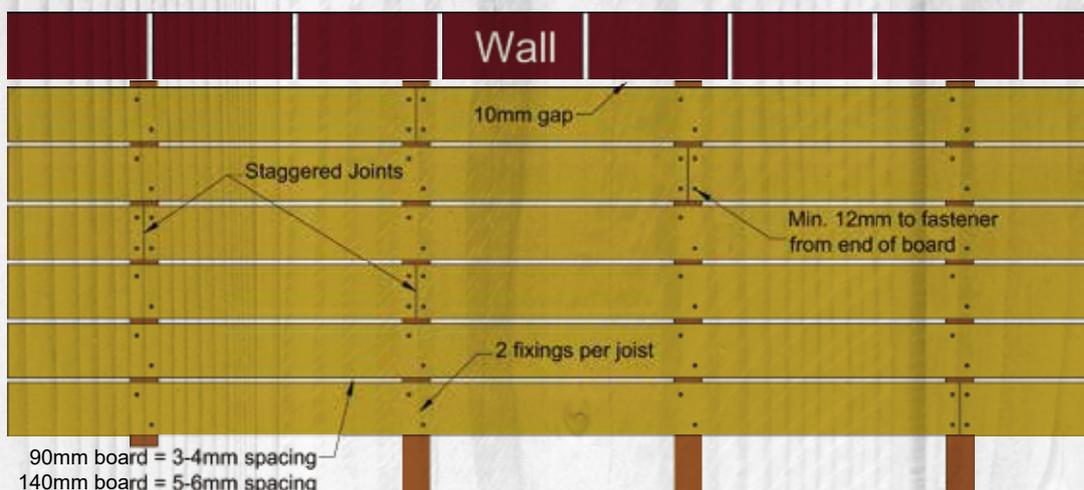


Decking should be fixed at every joist with at least two fasteners. Screws or nails at butt joints should be at least 12mm from the end of the board and pre-drilling is recommended to prevent splitting.

	Nails	Screws
Softwood Joists	65mm long x 2.5Ø galvanised flat head ring shank nails	10g x 60mm long galvanised timber deck screw (Type 17)
Hardwood Joists	50mm long x 2.5Ø galvanised flat head ring shank nails	10g x 50mm long galvanised timber deck screw (Type 17)
Steel Joist	N/A	10g x 40mm long countersunk winged self-drilling screw

### HOW LOW CAN YOU GO?

Special precautions should be taken if the decking is less than 400mm off the ground to ensure adequate ventilation and drainage of the subfloor space. Consult a qualified professional for advice.



### Maintenance:

**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING INSTALLATION** Once the decking boards have been installed a coating should be placed on the boards as soon as possible. This is the initial maintenance regime to maintain UV stability and weather resistance. There are many different coatings and the individual manufacturer should be consulted to obtain the right product. For fully exposed areas it is recommended that an oil based coating (rather than water based) be used. The more care taken with the initial coating the better the long term performance of the deck. This should be considered when deciding how many coats of oil or paint to apply directly after installation.

**MAINTENANCE** Timber decking will provide years of service if maintained regularly. Maintenance intervals are dependent on many factors including exposure levels and amount of traffic. When the deck shows signs of wear such as excessive surface checking, drying out, bleaching, or the like an additional coating should be applied. Follow all manufacturers' recommendations on maintenance including removal of debris and discolouration with a decking cleaner. If maintained properly and regularly in the initial period the coating will soak into the board and tend to build up within the timber. This will protect the board better and lead to an increased maintenance period over time. It is important to continue to maintain the deck throughout its life to prevent degradation.

**LONG TERM APPEARANCE AND EXPECTATIONS** A timber deck is a natural product which contains varying levels of imperfections. This is part of the beauty of the material. From the day it is laid the timber will continually change in moisture content and be exposed to UV from natural sunlight. Weathering of timber decking boards over time can result in visual changes such as opening or closing of gaps between boards, possible opening up of butt joints, and varying degrees of face checking. Weathering is reduced with increased maintenance but it is unlikely that it will not happen at all, and it becomes more prominent with increased exposure to sunlight and weather.

**ADDITIONAL RESOURCES** FWPA Design Guide #21 – Domestic Timber Deck Design ([www.woodsolutions.com.au](http://www.woodsolutions.com.au))

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