

# CARE GUIDE



## **STORING ULTRALON DECKING**

Unpack your Ultralon® decking upon receiving. Decking may be rolled or folded inside the package for delivery. This is okay for short-term transportation. However, if left like this during long-term storage, permanent curling or creases can develop. To remove any curling, lay decking flat and place weighted objects onto the curled part of the decking.

## **STORE FLAT IN A DARK / DRY / COOL AREA**

The acrylic paper backing on the decking, which protects the Pressure Sensitive Adhesive (PSA), can be affected by humidity over time. Storing in a dry, cool area, can preserve the PSA for later installation.

Storing in a dark area (ie. no sunlight) will protect colours from potential fading and help to ensure all colours will match upon later installation.

Ultralon® decking is durable, but for longevity after installation, it is recommended that the boat (or any other surface of application) be covered. (Examples include keeping the boat: in a garage, covered with a canvas boat cover, in a covered boat slip, dock or shed, etc). Reducing longer term exposure to the elements, when not in use, will help extend the life of your decking and reduce colour fade.

## **SITUATIONS TO AVOID:**

Long-term storage of items on the decking such as inflatable pool toys, tools or water bottles. Keep decking away from reflective surfaces or from under glass. These objects can refract/reflect light, thereby concentrating the beams to a level which can be destructive to the decking.

Spills and messes on the decking – clean immediately to reduce possible staining. Some materials can stain the decking if not promptly removed. Examples include: mustard, ketchup, fish hooks left to rust, fish blood, bird droppings, etc.

## **HOW TO CLEAN FOAM DECKING**

To clean dirt, footprints, etc. from your decking, use U-Dek® Cleaner and water along with a medium bristled deck brush. Spray directly on a cool surface and not in direct sunlight. Lightly move around the cleaner with a soft or hard bristle brush. Let sit for 15-30 seconds. Add a small amount of water to the surface and lightly scrub again before rinsing. Repeat if necessary. Also safe to use on upholstery and carpet.

To remove suntan lotion, use the U-Dek® Cleaner alone with a medium bristled deck brush. Put small amount of the U-Dek® Cleaner on oil. Dip medium bristled boat brush in warm water and work around until oil is out. Rinse with water. Repeat if needed

To remove rust stains, use a cap full of Grunt Cleaner. Apply on the rust stain and allow to soak for 3-5 minutes. If necessary, use latex/nitrile gloves to massage the cleaner into the brushed or embossed texture of the decking. Rinse with water. Repeat if necessary, the rust stain will eventually be removed. With Grunt cleaner, please be careful to avoid getting this solvent on the sides of the decking, it could damage the lamination or PSA. Please be careful with all other cleaning products. Wear vinyl or nitrile gloves and eye protection.

## **DO NOT USE THE FOLLOWING...**

**Mineral Spirits**

**Grunt Cleaner (not as a general cleaner, okay for Step 4 application only)**

**Acetone (if it must be used, avoid the adhesives as best as possible)**

**Bleach (if used, dilute 1:1 with water)**

**\*\* FOR BEST CLEANING RESULTS, TEND TO ALL STAINS, SPILLS AND LEAKS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE \*\***