

# Rystix Timbacare

## ARMADEK water-based exterior sealer PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

**Timbacare “Armadek”** is a superior quality **WATER-BASED** protective sealer specially designed to protect and beautify outdoor wooden decks and furniture, but can be used on any outdoor timber. (On horizontal surfaces in hot, dry climates preferably use the solvent-based Timbacare Exterior Sealer). **Armadek** forms a tough wear-resistant coating on the timber surface and contains special agents to prevent dry-rot, attack from insects and fungus and offers good protection against the harsh UV rays of the sun. It is **not a varnish** and therefore will not flake or peel if applied to clean, dry surfaces. The product is quick-drying, easy to apply and low in odour, and available in six translucent shades; **clear, oregon, brown, mahogany, rosewood** and **imbuia**. (Note: For the best UV protection one of the tinted shades is recommended).

### **COATING INSTRUCTIONS :**

**Stir thoroughly before use to prevent settling out of drying and protective agents**  
**Ensure timber is clean and dry before coating.**

**New timber:** Apply 3 even coats without dilution. (First coat – primer coat, second coat – under coat, third coat – finishing coat). On all horizontal top surfaces an additional coat is recommended. Never “slap” **Armadek** on heavy & thick, this retards drying and reduces toughness. Allow a minimum of two hours drying time between coats. Although **Armadek** is exceptionally fast-drying, drying time can be affected by conditions such as weather, and type of wood species and surface. **Do not coat in damp conditions**

For best results apply an additional coat within first 12 months. Using a medium / fine grade sandpaper or sanding pads if necessary, lightly sand and thoroughly clean the surfaces before applying this coat. The surface can also be cleaned with a mild detergent / solvent to remove dirt / impurities. (Any resinous wood knots or areas subjected to bird droppings, oil spillages, etc, will require additional cleaning).

**Old or previously varnished timber:** Remove all traces of old coatings by sanding and/or scraping prior to applying **Timbacare Armadek**, as recommended for new timber above.

Where **Timbacare Armadek** has been previously used, simply lightly sand if necessary and clean as mentioned above and apply two fresh lightly applied un-diluted coats (Rough or knotty areas may require extra preparation).

**Caution: Insufficient application will reduce the level of protection and therefore the life of the coating. Ensure that the coating is also liberally applied to all end-grain.**

**Coverage:** A three coat application will average between 10 -14 square metres per litre per coat, depending on the density and porosity of the substrate.

**Cleaning:** Clean brushes and all equipment with cold or luke-warm water.

**Note:** Timbacare Armadek can also be applied to treated timber like water-borne CCA or oil-borne Creosote, providing the timber has been re-dried after treating, and any residue cleaned with mineral turpentine.

**Any external wood that is not treated or maintained, will weather, become unsightly, and eventually break down and develop splinters. Even the heartwood of any hardwood, when exposed to the external elements, is not expected to last more than 15 years if left unprotected. (Significantly, the sapwood areas of the hardwoods have no life span at all if not protected).**

**Caution: Non-flammable.** Timbacare Armadek contains no flammable solvents, but since it contains certain preservative compounds, it should be stored out of reach of children