



Cetol® Maintenance



Cetol Maintenance is a premium, non-pigmented exterior satin finish that can only be applied over a previously coated Cetol 23 Plus or Cetol Log & Siding system where the surface is in good condition and has been maintained according to Sikkens guidelines.

Typically with maintenance coats, pigmented products will further darken the wood. With a one coat application of Cetol Maintenance, the wood will retain the same look and color.

Cetol Maintenance Performance Highlights

Feature	Benefits
Non-Pigmented (Colorless) Maintenance Coating	Developed to provide a non-darkening maintenance coat for vertical surfaces (siding, logs, & trim)
High Solids Alkyd	Provides maintenance protection in one coat
Excellent Microporosity and Flexibility	Minimizes blistering and cracking due to expansion and contraction or moisture build-up

Application Procedures

Do not apply Cetol Maintenance on decks, doors, outdoor furniture or over Cetol Door & Window, Cetol SRD, or Cetol DEK Finish. Not intended for use on raw wood or marine applications. Cetol Maintenance may discolor chinking. It is always recommended to perform a one-coat test sample to check for desired results.

Coverage area for Cetol Maintenance is 300-400 sq. ft. /U.S. gal. (smooth wood) and 150-225 sq. ft./ U.S. gal. (rough wood).

1. Follow the preparation procedures using the cleaning recommendation, reducing the solution to two ounces of 100% powdered Tri-Sodium Phosphate or phosphate-free substitute. Let surface dry three days.
2. Apply one coat of Cetol Maintenance using a long haired natural bristle brush. May be sprayed when back brushed.
3. Clean tools with mineral spirits

Schedule for Cetol Maintenance

Proper maintenance starts with visual inspection. Apply Cetol Maintenance every 2 to 3 years. However, as weathering, exposure, and altitude can vary widely, maintenance may be needed sooner and should be performed when visually required regardless of time frame.

1. Follow the preparation procedures
2. Apply one coat of Cetol Maintenance

Cetol® Maintenance  is available where reduced emission products are required.

Cetol® Log & Siding Cetol® Maintenance



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Products to Know

Cetol® is the brand name of Sikkens products that fall into either the Translucent, Clear and Semi-Transparent categories. When you see a product with Cetol® on the label, this product will allow you to see the wood grain and character of the wood (although depending on the product it may color the wood).

Support your local dealer:



High Solids Alkyd

High Performance

Translucent Satin Finish



Cetol® Log & Siding

Cetol Log & Siding is a high-performance translucent satin finish for exterior vertical wood surfaces. This alkyd high solids formulation offers optimum protection and a premium look in just two coats. The high solids alkyd resin used in Cetol Log & Siding is another example of the advancements central to the Sikkens Next Wave Technology.

Recommended For

- Siding
- Logs
- Trim
- Fir
- Cedar
- Pine
- Spruce
- Redwood

High Performance Film

Cetol Log & Siding's two-coat satin finish creates a protective film that gives siding and logs a premium furniture-like finish that allows all the natural characteristics and grain of the wood to show through. The product creates a durable surface barrier to prevent wood from weathering.



Eight Natural Colors Available

Note: Printed colors shown here may vary from actual product colors.



Cetol Log & Siding sample cans and Cetol Maintenance sample cans available at participating Sikkens Dealers and at www.nam.sikkens.com.

Cetol Log & Siding Performance Highlights

Feature	Benefits
High Solids Alkyd	Fewer coats needed for optimum protection and premium look
Translucent Iron Oxide Pigments and UV Absorbers	Combination gives high-performance UV protection preventing graying and deterioration
Excellent Microporosity and Flexibility	Minimizes blistering and cracking due to expansion and contraction or moisture build-up

Working With Cetol® Log & Siding

■ Preparation Procedures

Vertical Surfaces:

New, Weathered, Uncoated Wood

The best method to prepare vertical wood surfaces is to sand with 80-120 grit sandpaper. However, an alternative to sanding for preparation is listed below.

Cleaning Recommendation

1. Spray the surface with clean water, wetting the wood.
2. Clean the surface with a solution of four ounces of 100% powdered Tri-Sodium Phosphate (TSP) or phosphate-free substitute plus one quart of liquid bleach in three quarts of water. Apply this solution generously to the wood with a garden pump sprayer.
3. Let the solution sit on the wood for 15-20 minutes. During this period, scrub the surface with a hard bristle brush to help remove mill glaze or weathering. Do not let the solution dry on the wood. Keep the wood wet.
4. Power wash the cleaning solution from the wood with clean water. To prevent damaging the wood, do not exceed 500 psi. The nozzle must be a maximum of one foot from the surface for full effectiveness.
5. Let surface dry for three days before application (i.e., the moisture content is below 18%).

Tips

- It is always recommended to perform a two-coat color test on a sample of the wood.
- New rough-sawn wood less than four weeks old should be dry-brushed using a brush with stiff bristles to remove loose dirt and fibers. If debris is still present, follow the preparation procedures.
- Weathered grey wood or wood affected with blue fungi or rust from nails may be treated after the surface preparation by applying a solution of four ounces of oxalic acid crystals in one gallon of warm water. This solution should be allowed to sit on the affected areas for 15-20 minutes before the final rinse with clean water. Let dry three days before coating.
- Fill all joints, cracks and nail holes with a quality polyurethane or acrylic caulk/filler prior to applying the coating.
- Previous coatings must be removed prior to application of Cetol Log & Siding.

■ Application Procedures*

Coverage area per coat for Cetol Log & Siding is 300-400 sq. ft. / U.S. gal. (smooth wood) and 150-225 sq. ft. / U.S. gal. (rough/weathered wood).

New/Bare Wood Applications

1. Follow the preparation procedures
2. Apply first coat of Cetol Log & Siding
3. Let surface dry for minimum of 24 hours
4. Apply second coat of Cetol Log & Siding
5. Clean tools with mineral spirits

* For full log applications, call Sikkens Sales and Technical Support.

Application Do's for Cetol Log & Siding/Cetol Maintenance...

- Apply when the surface and air temperature is 50°F/10°C to 95°F/35°C
- Stir well before using
- Saturate all end grains, nail holes, cavities and cracks in the wood
- Maintain a wet edge to prevent lap marks
- Apply liberally in the direction of the wood grain using a long-haired natural bristle brush
- Back prime (if possible)
- Intermix batches to ensure color consistency

Application Don'ts for Cetol Log & Siding/Cetol Maintenance...

- Do not apply over previously coated surfaces
- Do not apply when the surface is hot to the touch
- Do not apply when rain, dew or frost is present or expected within five hours
- Do not apply when moisture content of the wood is greater than 18%
- Do not thin

■ Maintenance Procedures

Proper maintenance starts with visual inspection. A timeframe of two to three years on the south and west exposures and three to four years on the north and east exposures can be used as a general guideline. However, as weathering, exposure and altitude vary, maintenance may be needed sooner and should be performed when visually necessary regardless of timeframe. The Sikkens colors #996 Natural Light and #111 Western Grey may need more frequent maintenance (every 18-24 months).

1. Follow the preparation procedures using the cleaning recommendation, reducing the solution to two ounces of 100% powdered Tri-Sodium Phosphate or phosphate-free substitute. Let surface dry three days.
2. Apply one coat of Cetol Log & Siding or Cetol Maintenance.