



## **Simple Steps to Clean and Re-treat Your Wood**

Deck, fence or siding maintenance involves cleaning your project once or twice a year with a detergent based cleaner to remove all dirt and pollen. When your wood has lost it's color, or the wood seems dry and in need of more oil, follow these simple steps:

- When cleaning, pay attention to persistent black spots that are difficult to remove. These may be mildew. If so, use a 50% bleach and water solution to clean and remove before proceeding.
- Once clean, sprinkle some water in various places on the deck. If the drops of water are quickly and easily absorbed into the wood, then it is ready for another application of our oil based stain.
- Areas that are well protected will not wear as quickly as areas that are exposed and will not need to be treated as soon. You can treat the exposed areas more frequently, if needed.

