



# Care & Maintenance

## Coatings with Cetol WF 771

### Instruction for care and maintenance of wood coated with the thin-layer coating of Sikkens Cetol WF 771

Even given the most careful industrial coating with Sikkens Wood Coatings products, and depending on the load, there is always the right time for inspection, and care and maintenance coating, to ensure the functionality, protection and appearance of the coated surface.

#### 1. Cleaning of surfaces

For thin-layer coated surfaces the brushing-off is usually sufficient for cleaning. In case of persistent pollution use a neutral, general-purpose cleaner to clean the building elements. Cleaners containing aggressive substances, solvents or abrasives must not be used as they can damage the surface.

#### 2. Care and maintenance coating

Exterior wood components are stressed by moisture, rapid temperature changes, thermal stress, and exposure to sunlight. This makes it important to care for and maintain these components regularly in line with local loads.

The surfaces including the cut edges and end-grain areas need to be checked in good in time, e.g., annually and reworked if needed. Damaged areas must be reworked immediately.

Depending on the building situation, we recommend re-applying the coating every 1 – 2 years.

The re-coating is done with Cetol WF 771 in the appropriate color.

#### 3. Preliminary remarks on care and maintenance

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| Tools                   | Cleaning brush and fresh-water.<br>Sandpaper (grain size 200/220) or abrasive pads (Scotchbrite) as applicable.<br>Brush for water-based products.   |
| Preparing the substrate | Clean the surface with a dry brush and if needed with water.<br>Check the wood joints and the end-grain areas.<br>No sanding necessary except the wood got grey and should be natural again.<br>In case of non-bearing substrate remove loose wood-fibers by e.g. brushing-off or sanding completely over the whole area. Then clean the substrate. The surface to be processed must be dust-free, sound and capable of being painted. |
| Processing              | For the application of water-based products, the material, surface and ambient temperature must be 15 °C - 25 °C.  |
| Craftsmanship           | All maintenance coating work must be performed on the entire area.<br>The end-grain needs to be coated with every application.<br>To achieve surfaces without obvious transitions boards must be coated over their full-length (not working across the grain direction).   |



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### 4. Coating recommendation

#### Maintenance of intact surfaces

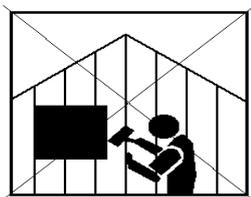
Once, possibly twice, with Cetol WF 771 in the corresponding color

#### Repair work (new paint job, coating completely removed)

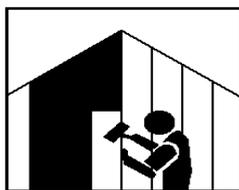
1. Impregnate with Cetol WV 880 BPD (raw outdoor building elements, as per DIN 68800)
2. Primer coat Cetol WF 771
3. Mid coat Cetol WF 771
4. Topcoat Cetol WF 771 in the corresponding color

All maintenance and repair coatings, and the necessary preparatory work, is always driven by the requirements for the property; for example, it must be suitable for the substrate condition, the construction and the requirements faced by the surface, and the work must be carried out professionally.

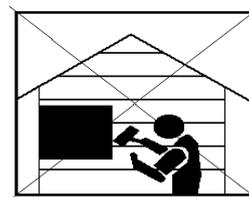
The information provided above does not claim to be exhaustive, and is to be understood as a possible example. Due to the large amount of substrates and object conditions, the user is obligated to ensure that the Sikkens Wood Coatings materials are suitable for their intended use under the respective object conditions, and to correspondingly process them in line with the applicable state-of-art. These recommendations for care and maintenance do not constitute contractual legal relationship, and do not form the basis for legal claims.



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