

# Care & Maintenance Guide

Your acrylic render system



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# Insul-Con Care and Maintenance Guide for Everlasting Quality.

## The 7 Steps to success in maintaining your remarkable render.

### 1. Regular Cleaning

Keep your home's exterior looking as remarkable as the day it was rendered, with annual cleaning.

This will prevent build up of soil, grime and airborne pollutants, that can mar the resolution of your render.

If you are lucky enough to live in a seaside home a biannual wash is your key to battling salt build up.

### 2. The Right Approach

To achieve the best cleaning results without risking damage to your render, we recommend using a low pressure blaster (less than 450 psi) with cool water at a 45 degree angle, ensuring a minimum distance of 30cm from the wall.

Alternatively, you can clean the walls using detergent, warm water and a soft brush.

### 3. The Tricky Spots

For any localised areas that have suffered from build ups of dirt or grime, utilise a soft scrubbing brush with detergent and warm water solution. Please refrain from using high-pressure water blasters for heavy staining as this is quite likely to cause damage.

### 4. Sealant Inspection

Monitor for cracked, loose or missing sealant in your regular maintenance inspections. Sealant can be found in most areas where two substrates connect ie. above door openings & windows, electrical fittings, pipes, handrails etc.

All degrading or damaged sealant should be removed and replaced as a priority.

Partner with Insulcon for exceptional, lasting render. Unlike traditional cement render, our perfected rendering formula acts as a durable shield against unwanted cracking, efflorescence (salt blooming) and staining. All problems of which cement render are susceptible too. Our render is not only aesthetically striking; it also acts as a protective membrane that shields your walls from the test of time, surpassing the performance of standard cement render. Insulcon, made by renderers, for renderers, with quality that is built to last, that will leave your walls rendered to perfection.

## 5. Attention Areas

It is essential to monitor areas that are at higher risk for dirt and grime build up.

This includes areas that are heavily exposed to the elements such as parapets and balcony handrail tops.

The minimal slope on these areas can result in localised collections of grime and dirt which can develop into mould if left unchecked. Cold and dark areas such as behind heavy foliage are also perfect conditions for mould, algae and root growth. Maintain regular inspections to prevent deterioration to your rendering.

## 6. Temporary Repairs

For any cracking identified in your render, temporary repairs can be constructed by using polyurethane paintable sealant to seal unseemly cracks until permanent repair can be completed.

Visual cracks may be a sign of underlying structural faults, please take safety precautions and have a professional inspect them.

## 7. Recoating

Recoating is recommended for any damage or every 7 to 10 years using Insulcon membrane, to rejuvenate your render and protect against degradation.

For recoating damaged areas please ensure to recoat from edge to edge of the affected area to ensure consistency in colour and texture.

This will allow you to give your render a new life, creating a resilient low maintenance surface, that will keep both you and your neighbours impressed.



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