

PAINTING TECHNICAL BULLETIN**Transcend®, Enhance®, or Select® Decking:****Can Transcend, Enhance, or Select decking be painted?**

Trex Transcend, Trex Enhance, and Trex Select decking cannot be painted or stained.

Transcend® and Select® Railing:**Can Transcend railing or Select railing be painted?**

Only Trex Transcend White Railings can be painted as well as Select Railing (which only comes in white). A high quality fast-dry Alkyd primer should be used as a base coat, with oil or water based exterior trim paint. Only light colors should be used. No darker colors such as Black, Brown, Forest Green, as these darker colors may draw excessive heat and damage the material. Surface abrasion may promote better paint adhesion. Use something such as an abrasive pad or steel wool can be used to dull/buff the surfaces to be painted.

- Clean surfaces with Acetone, Isopropyl alcohol, or denatured alcohol before painting.
- Never use ketones (MeK, MiBk) or xylene as surface conditioners.
- Allow all surfaces to dry completely before painting.

Reveal® Railing:**Can Reveal railing be painted?**

Reveal railing should not be painted unless there are issues with scratches that may need to be repaired. If railing is scratched, use Trex Reveal Railing Touch-up Color Matched paint or to address smaller imperfections use Trex Reveal Touch-up Color Matched Pens.

Early Generation Trex Decking (Trex Accents® & Origins®), Trex Designer® & Traditional Railing**Can early generation Trex composite decking and railing be painted?**

Yes, you can paint or stain early generation decking or railing to achieve a custom color, but it is not necessary for protection. Paints and stains that adhere well to wood will work as well or better with early generation products. Early generation decking and railing that has been faded (approximately 12 – 16 weeks for new product) can be painted or stained at any time, even years after it has been installed. Use a paint or stain that is designed for a walking surface. Contact the manufacturing to make sure these meet ADA requirements for walking surfaces before applying.

What types of paints and stains can I use?

Most paints or stains that you would apply to wood can be applied to early generation products (this does not include Trex Escapes® decking). The following companies have evaluated early generation products and suggested these coatings:

Paint Manufacturer	Tech Support Phone Number	Suggested Coating
Behr	800-854-0133	Behr Premium® Solid Color Weatherproofing All in One Wood Stain and Sealer
Sherwin Williams	800-474-3794	S-W Deckscapes ext. acrylic Deck Stain A15-150 Series S-W Woodscapes ext. acrylic Deck Stain A15 Series

What about cleaning my painted or stained early generation products?

Consult your paint or stain manufacturer's directions before cleaning.