

COURTYARDS @ RIO HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION

DECK STAINING GUIDELINES

For a deck that is not compliant with the approved deck color, old stain should be stripped using **Wolman Deck Strip, Stain & Finish Remover**.

Then, the deck should be cleaned using **Wolman All Exterior Wood Deck & Fence Brightener**, which should be removed by power washing the deck.

After cleaning, the deck should be allowed to dry for two days before the stain is applied. This process should ensure that the surface is ready to accept the new stain.

An oil-based stained was selected so that it would penetrate the wood and relieve some of the dryness. The deck should be stained using **Benjamin Moore Alkyd Semi-transparent Deck & Siding Stain, Color: Red Cedar**. For the best protection and for a finish that will last the longest period the stain should be applied using a hand brush/roller. This technique will provide much better coverage than being sprayed on. Two coats should be applied to the floor of the deck and one coat everywhere else.

The underside of the deck must be powerwashed and stained, too.