

HOW DO I CLEAN MY TANDO® PRODUCTS?

Tando products (TandoStone®, Beach House Shake®, and TandoShake®) are impervious to moisture; however, in specific environments, dirt or mold and mildew may accumulate on the product's surface. And, while surface grime will not impact product performance, regularly cleaning will ensure your Tando installation stays looking great.

For best aesthetics, cleaning is recommended annually, or at least every other year, to remove accumulated dirt or mildew. Generally, Tando products can be cleaned easily with plain water and an ordinary garden hose. Do not power wash or use high-pressure system to clean Tando products.

If water alone does not remove the dirt, you may use a diluted, mild cleaning solution (e.g., 1/3 cup Tide® or other mild laundry detergent mixed with 4 quarts water) to assist with cleaning. Follow the cleaning solution with a low-pressure rinse (garden hose < 100 psi). A soft bristle brush (such as a brush used to wash cars) may also be used with the diluted detergent solution for harder-to-remove dirt.

For best results, start cleaning at the bottom of the area and work upward - rinsing off any cleaning solution completely before it dries. The cladding must be rinsed thoroughly with clear water to avoid staining and/or streaking. Remember: always clean from bottom up and rinse from the top down.

If Tando products are exposed to salt, sand, or other abrasive materials, it is recommended to clean more frequently (every 3-4 months) to avoid build-up of these materials that can damage the product surface.

CAUTION: Be sure to follow all precautions and warnings on the product labels of any cleaners to prevent personal injury. Do not exceed the recommended concentration of cleaners as doing so can cause damage to the product's surface. Avoid skin and eye contact with all cleaning solutions and follow manufacturer's instructions for the use of cleaning compounds and solutions. Always avoid the use of abrasive-type cleaners and strong solvents. Test any cleaner on an inconspicuous area before applying to major areas. Excessive scrubbing is unnecessary, can be harmful to the products, and may cause undesirable glossy areas over the finish.