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Caring for your Vinyl Fence



Many homeowners install fences around their homes for various reasons. It could either be for privacy issues or merely a matter of marking boundaries from neighbors. Whatever the case, fences are suitable for any home because there are many different types. One such example of this is vinyl fences.

Vinyl fences are versatile because they are relatively cheap and still durable. They are also pretty easy to install, but the catch is that they can be pretty hard to maintain. Vinyl may be durable, but it can still break. Furthermore, vinyl fences are exposed to the elements, which means maintenance isn't something you should skimp on.

While vinyl fence maintenance is tricky, the good news is that we've listed down some valuable tips to help you.

Vinyl fences have always been popular among homeowners. They are pretty easy to install and relatively cheap to maintain. However, this doesn't mean that you should neglect the maintenance part. As long as you do it properly, your vinyl fence can last several years.



Regularly Wash the Vinyl Fence

As mentioned earlier, vinyl fences are usually fairly easy to clean. However, you should make it a point to wash the vinyl fence to keep them looking good regularly. You can either do this with a hose or a pressure washer.

This can be particularly handy during the summer and winter months when the elements get pretty intense. This way, you can help prevent the buildup of mold and algae around the fence.



Remove All Traces of Mold and Mildew

Mold and mildew are two elements that could cause your vinyl fence to look nasty. They can also cause other issues like making the vinyl splotchy or eventually making the vinyl weak. To help prevent this, you should take the necessary steps to remove mold and mildew from the vinyl fence.

You can use a scrub brush and some soap to remove them. If the mildew is deep, you might want to consider using a pressure washer to help remove it. In some cases, you can use bleach or even vinegar.



Cut Any Overhanging Tree or Plant Branches

Overhanging branches from trees or plants can cause your vinyl to be scratched and dented. This will make them look ugly and also cause your vinyl to break easier. To help prevent this from happening, it would be good to trim any overhanging branches before any damage can occur.

Besides helping maintain the vinyl, it can also prevent accidents. Overhanging branches could cause your vinyl fence to fall, so you should take the necessary precautions.



Stick to a Regular Inspection Schedule

Even though it's possible to restore vinyl with a bit of maintenance, you should still have a regular inspection schedule. If you spot any damage early, you can make repairs before they get worse.

Inspecting vinyl fences regularly is especially important during bad weather. During bad weather, the dents and scrapes can quickly become permanent if left untreated.



Fix Any Damage Immediately

You should always fix any damage immediately. This is because even slight wear can lead to bigger problems. If there are dents or scratches in the vinyl fence, you should fix them using a vinyl fence patch kit.

Vinyl fence patch kits are relatively cheap and easy to use, but you should still use caution. Applying too much pressure on the patch can cause the vinyl to crack, and you should also make sure that you are using the right tools for the patch. If you have any doubts, call Middlebury Fence to set up an appointment for one of our professionals to make the repair for you.

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