

# TRACK CLEANING



The most important step in maintaining all types of track surface is a regular cleaning regime and every attempt should be made to keep the surface clean and free of grass clippings, dirt, gravel and other debris.

Textured track surfaces tend to hold moisture and, in some locations, moss can be an issue if it is allowed to thrive. Regular treatment with an approved moss inhibitor is recommended on a quarterly basis if the location of your track makes it susceptible to moss growth.

Areas of the track surrounded by trees require frequent cleaning to prevent fallen leaves and twigs from rotting onto the surface. If this material is not removed it will blacken the track and the rotting leaves will encourage the growth of other plants. These areas will start then start hold pools of water, which will create a slip hazard for users and, in time, will begin to disintegrate the track surface leading to potentially costly repair work.

An issue with debris particularly relevant to non-porous tracks is the accumulation of detritus in slot drains causing blockages that prevent a track from draining effectively – ultimately leading to standing water and the growth of unwanted plant life.

With this in mind it is clear that a little effort on a regular basis will eliminate many of the causes of long-term track degradation and dramatically reduce the need to spend large sums of money on rectification. As a general rule, a full and professional deep clean of the track should be considered every three years, depending on a track's location and its frequency of use.

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