





# PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# ZAR® Deck & Siding Clear

Deck & Siding Clear Waterproof Wood Sealer

# **DESCRIPTION**

ZAR® Deck & Siding Clear protects without adding color to preserve and showcase the natural beauty of wood. It's perfect for new, bare, or premium wood in excellent condition that has not been stained or painted.

# **USES**

For use on decking, siding, fencing, outdoor furniture, and more.

# **CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES**

- Protects against weather extremes
- Resists mildew and UV damage
- Can be applied in temperature extremes

# **CERTIFICATES AND TEST REPORTS**

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# PRODUCT INFORMATION

Composition	Latex Base					
Packaging	<b>Size</b> 1 gallon	PC/Case	Sheen Flat	Order No. 832901	Old Order No. 78813	
Shelf life	3 years in the original, unopened container.					
Storage conditions	Store in a dry, well-ventilated area. Keep from freezing. Do not store below 40°F (4°C) or above 90°F (32°C). Protect from direct sunlight, heat sources, and moisture.					
Density	8.55 ± 0.2 lbs./US Gal					
Flash point	104° F (40°C)					
Solid content	1.02 ± 0.2					
Viscosity	18 ± 2 Seconds Ford 4					

# **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

Coverage	250 sq ft (23-37 m²) per gallon. Rough Surfaces, 100-250 (9-23 m²) square feet per gallon.  Note: This does not include material loss if sprayed. Actual coverage will vary depending upon the application method, surface texture, and porosity.	
Ambient air temperature	Apply when air and surface temperatures are between 40°F (4.4°C) and 90°F (32°C). Avoid applying in direct sunlight.	

# **BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA**

Results may differ based upon statistical variations depending upon mixing methods and equipment, temperature, application methods, test methods, actual site conditions and curing conditions.

# ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH AND SAFETY

For further information and advice regarding transportation, handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, user should refer to the actual Safety Data Sheets containing physical, environmental, toxicological and other safety related data. User must read the current actual Safety Data Sheets before using any products. In case of an emergency, call CHEMTREC at

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# **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

#### SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

Apply to bare wood only. Be sure the surface is free of all dirt, mildew stains, loose wood fibers, and other foreign matter. To be effective, water droplets must be able to penetrate the wood. Surfaces must be sound and may be dry or damp. If damp, the wood should be free of puddles and not feel wet. Prepare weathered surfaces with a solution of 1/3 cup heavyduty laundry detergent to 1 quart household bleach to 3 quarts of warm water or a suitable deck cleaner and rinse well. On wood surfaces that are new or in good condition, it is best to pressure wash (Pressure for soft wood (like cedar or pine) should be at about 500 to 600 pounds per square inch (psi); harder woods may tolerate more pressure, but you should not go higher than 1,200 psi. Use a fan tip with a 40- to 60-degree spread), but at minimum, scrubbing with a stiff bristle brush and rinsing with a garden hose should be done to remove all loose wood fibers completely. Sanding is best to remove any loose sand fibers.

Wait 72 hours for lumber that has undergone pressure treatment to dry completely. We expect that the wood from the lumber yard has been kiln-dried. Check the board for tags and ask the hardware store staff.

If you have a moisture content reader, test multiple spots; ideally, it should read 12% to 15% or less. If you find areas much higher than this, do not apply the stain until it dries out. Without a moisture meter, "The bead test" is a simple way to check if your wood is ready to be sealed. Pour a small amount of water on your deck. If the water beads up, there's still some moisture in the wood. If the deck absorbs the water, it's dry enough to seal.

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Apply with nylon or polyester brushes, stain pads, or professional spray equipment. When spraying, always back-brush immediately. Always finish a small test area before proceeding to ensure the desired appearance and proper drying time. Do not overapply. Shake and stir thoroughly before and during use. If the project requires more than one container, blend all containers to ensure uniformity. Apply to small sections at a time (1-3 boards); start at one edge of the board and work end-to-end, following through to the end of the boards to avoid lap marks. A one-coat application is recommended.

**Airless Spray Application:** Tip: .015" - .019" Filter: 60 mesh Fluid Pressure: 1,400 – 2,400 psi. Follow spraying immediately with a pad, back-brushing, or backrolling for a uniform appearance.

#### WARNING:

If you scrape, sand, or remove old paint, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a NIOSHapproved respirator to control lead exposure. Clean up carefully with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by contacting the National Lead Information Hotline at 1-800-424-LEAD or log on to www.epa.gov/lead.

#### **CAUTION**

Causes eye irritation. Use only with adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing vapors or spray mist. Ensure fresh air entry during application and drying. If you experience eye watering, headache or dizziness or if air monitoring demonstrates vapor levels are above applicable limits, wear an appropriate, properly fitted respirator (NIOSH approved) during and after application. Follow respirator manufacturer's directions for respirator use. Avoid contact with eyes. Wash thoroughly after handling.





#### KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. KEEP FROM FREEZING.

If spilled, contain spilled material and remove with inert absorbent. Dispose of contaminated absorbent, container, and unused contents in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

#### **FIRST AID**

In case of eye contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Call poison control center, hospital emergency room, or physician immediately. If you experience difficulty in breathing, leave the area to obtain fresh air. If continued difficulty is experienced, call poison control center, hospital emergency room, or physician immediately. If swallowed, do not induce vomiting. Call poison control center, hospital emergency room, or physician immediately.

### **MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS**

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Areas exposed to harsh sun, weather, or foot traffic will show wear more quickly than other surfaces. If this occurs, clean the affected areas and recoat as necessary.

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### **LEGAL DISCLAIMER**

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- KEEP CONTAINER TIGHTLY CLOSED
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- NOT FOR INTERNAL CONSUMPTION

Prior to each use of any product of Sika corporation, its subsidiaries or affiliates ("SIKA"), the user must always read and follow the warnings and instructions on the product's most current product label, Product Data Sheet and Safety Data Sheet which are available at www.zar.com or by calling SIKA's Technical Service Department 10800-272-3235, option 2. Nothing contained in any SIKA literature or materials relieves the user of the obligation to read and follow the warnings and instructions for each SIKA product as set forth in the current product label, Product Data Sheet and Safety Data Sheet prior to use of the SIKA products.

#### LIMITED WARRANTY

Sika warrants ZAR® Deck & Siding Clear, subject to the limitations set forth herein, that this product, under normal use and proper storage, will be free from defects in material or workmanship and merchantable for a period of three (3) years on Decks and five (5) years on Siding from the original date of purchase. This limited warranty extends to the original consumer purchaser of the product only and is nontransferable. Slight color fading, graying, or erosion may occur over time due to UV exposure, weather conditions, or normal foot traffic. These changes are considered normal

wear and are not covered under this warranty. If this product is found to be defective by SIKA within the warranty period, you will receive a replacement of the product or, at SIKA's option, a full refund of the purchase price upon presentation of proof of purchase (original sales receipt). This limited warranty excludes failure to apply the product to a properly prepared bare surface in accordance with SIKA's instructions provided with this product. SIKA MAKES NO FURTHER **EXPRESS WARRANTIES. THIS LIMITED WARRANTY EX-CLUDES (1) LABOR AND ALL OTHER COSTS ASSOCI-**ATED WITH THE APPLICATION OR REMOVAL OF THE PRODUCT OR ANY REPLACEMENT PRODUCT. AND (2) ANY INDIRECT, SPECIAL, EXEMPLARY, INCIDENTAL OR **CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.** Some states do not allow the limitation or exclusion of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you. This limited warranty gives you specific legal rights and may also have other legal rights which vary from state to state. For warranty fulfillment, return used product container and sales receipt to SIKA, Technical Customer Service, 1396 Jefferson Ave., Dunmore, PA 18509.

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