

Q⁸ LOG OIL

How To Apply Q⁸ Log Oil





Q8 Log Oil is Not Just for Logs.

This specialty treatment is ideal for exterior wood of all kinds including siding, decks, fences, roofs, timber frames, arbors, playgrounds and more. Application to end-cut and fastener holes ensures deep absorption well beyond the wood surface to effectively preserve and back-up rot control for commercially augmented pressure treated lumber. The use of Outlast® Q8 Log Oil will validate warranties on all pressure treated lumber including Outdoor and Wolmanized wood applications. Outlast® Q8 Log Oil is American Wood Protection Association (AWPA) approved and specified in the M-4 Standard.



ABOUT

Outlast® Q8 Log Oil is an EPA-registered exterior wood preservative specifically designed to control decay-causing organisms (mold, termites, powder post beetles) in log homes, on wood products, and as an end cut solution for pressure-treated wood. It provides unsurpassed water repellency and color with one-coat coverage. Q8 Log Oil is a totally non-film forming exterior treatment that does not crack or peel. The trans-oxide pigment system provides excellent UV control that operates like a sunscreen to slow down graying of the wood and provide fade resistant color. The solution soaks into the wood to provide protection, not just on the surface, but also deep into the wood cell structure.





PREPPING

The log or wood surface must be porous. Remove mill glaze, dirt, mildew, wax or any film coatings before application. One quart of CTA's KleenStart granules diluted in 5 gallons of warm water is effective for many prep situations and it cleans and brightens in one step. Chemical strippers may be needed to remove previous paints and stains. Rinse thoroughly and allow to dry before application of Outlast® Q8 Log Oil. A power washer at low pressure is an appropriate and time-saving tool for wood surface preparation. Avoid sanding. If sanding was required to remove a prior coating, re-open the pores of the wood with a chemical or detergent cleaner (KleenStart), thoroughly rinse, and allow to dry as much as is possible (3-5 dry days) before application of Outlast® Q8 Log Oil. The absorption of Outlast® Q8 Log Oil is directly related to the porosity of the wood, and more absorption of oil results in better and longer lasting treatment. Because of this, new unseasoned wood will require more frequent applications than older dryer wood.

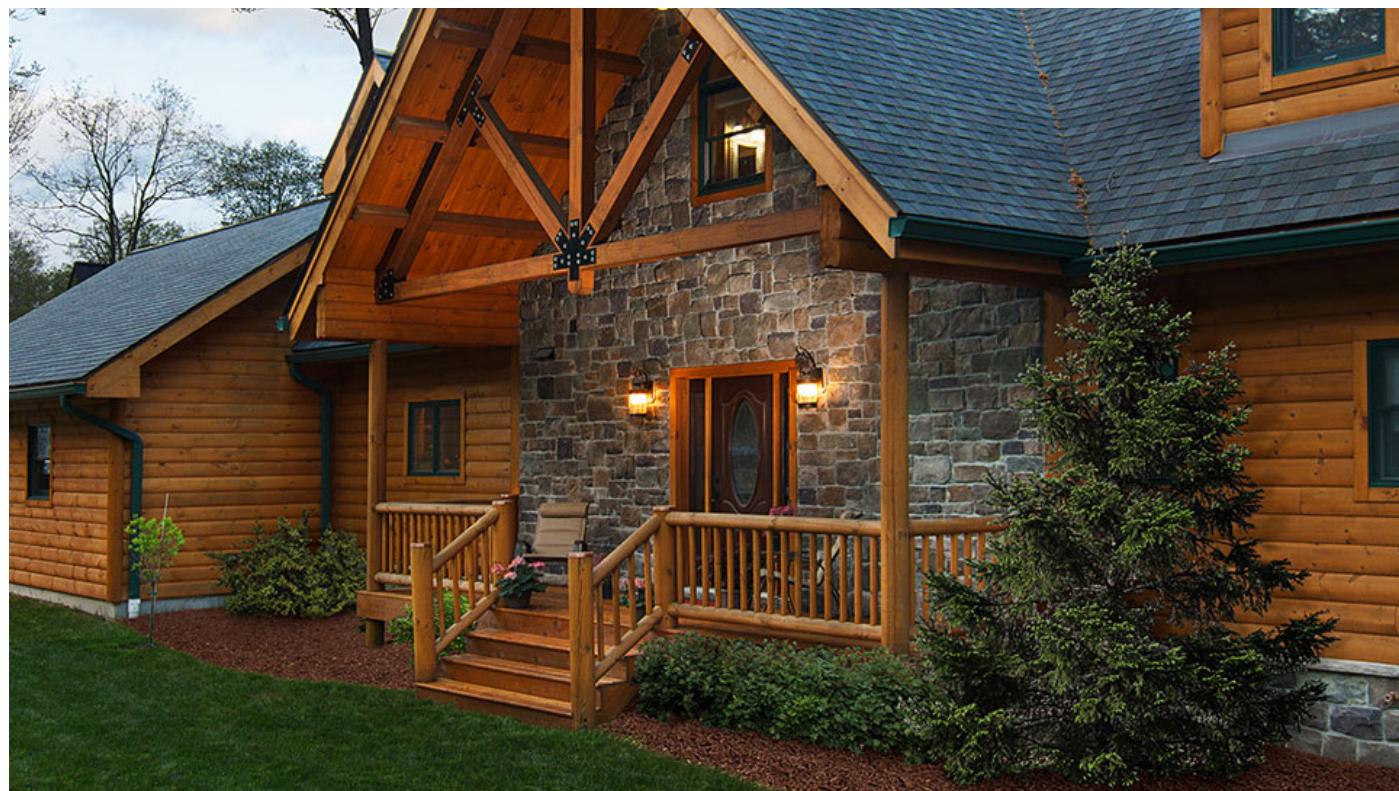
BEFORE YOU START

Test the color. Curing and full-color appearance can take approximately 2 weeks. Outlast® Q8 Log Oil goes on dark and lightens significantly as it cures. Be aware when Outlast® Q8 Log Oil is applied and has soaked into the wood, it is permanent in the wood. The surfaces will need to be refreshed for color and water repellency, but the product inside cannot be removed. If you want to change the color, be advised solid colors are not possible in this system. Semi-transparent shades are the only choices available. If you wish to change the shade, you can remove it from the surface by power washing, then reapply a different semi-transparent shade of Outlast® Q8 Log Oil after the initial curing process. Always "box" (blend) containers from different lot numbers.



SPRAY, BRUSH ON, OR ROLL

Stir product well before use and stir occasionally during application to keep pigments suspended. If pigment is difficult to get off the bottom, empty the pail as best you can into a second container. Stir in a few ounces of mineral spirits into the pigment settled in the bottom until dissolved. Shake well—add back to the “batch” and stir again. Begin at the bottom of a sidewall application and work upwards to ensure even saturation. The fastest, easiest delivery method is by use of a pump-up type sprayer with a plastic or non-corrosive tip. (Brass tip is NOT recommended.) Airless spray applicators are not recommended due to excessive atomization and subsequent product loss. (Professionals may have airless electrical equipment delivering low-pressure spray, but do-it-yourselfers will have better results with the pump-up applicator.) Apply as much liquid as the wood will absorb. It is not necessary to “keep a wet edge” or to apply multiple coats or wet-on-wet coats. It is not necessary to clean out equipment until the job is finished, even if the job takes a week or more to complete! When ready to do so, equipment can be cleaned with laundry detergent and water or mineral spirits if desired.



WEATHER CONDITIONS

Outlast® Q8 Log Oil can be applied during a wide range of weather conditions. Wet or cold logs/wood will not absorb as much product as dry/ warm ones. Below 50°F, Outlast® Q8 Log Oil will become too thick to pump through a pump sprayer and may require hand brushing. Streaking of pigment may result if wood is exposed to rain within 36 hours of treatment. Simply re-spray the surface with more product, let it sit for 15 minutes, and smooth out any streaks with a stiff paintbrush.



COVERAGE & LONGEVITY

Apply to the point of refusal. Normally estimate 125-175 square feet per gallon. Very old porous wood may absorb at the rate of 75 square feet or less. Under application is far and away the primary cause of short treatment life. However, only one coat at a time is recommended. The water repellency in Outlast® Q8 Log Oil builds quickly making it infeasible to multi-coat until a period of time has elapsed. (It becomes so water repellent, it repels itself.) Generally, it is recommended vertical surfaces be re-treated within 24 months of the initial application. Additional applications should be applied as needed, usually every 4-8 years. Horizontal surfaces should be re-treated every other year or annually if needed.





PRECAUTIONS

Do not OVER apply Outlast® Q8 Log Oil to horizontal walking surfaces. Mop up any unabsorbed material after 15 minutes. Treated surfaces can be slippery initially; avoid heavy traffic until the product has cured. Do not spray Outlast® Q8 Log Oil on asphalt shingles and driveways because it will soften asphalt on contact. Over spray or spills should be cleaned IMMEDIATELY with large volumes of a suitable detergent/water. Review the safety precautions on the label carefully before opening the container.



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