

The 2 Reasons Your Joint Sealant Isn't Setting Right (And How to Fix It)

Reason #1

Your small can of "activator" has expired -- for best outcomes, you'll want to use DECK-O-SEAL within one year of our manufacturing date

Reason #2

You didn't use a 10-minute timer and mix it for exactly 10 minutes. A 2-component joint sealant is designed specifically to be mixed for exactly 10 minutes.

When you properly **mix DECK-O-SEAL for 10 minutes**, both components will thoroughly combine. Your properly mixed sealant will skin over in 4 hours after you apply it. Your end result should look like the bottom right quadrant. On the flip side, when you do not mix correctly, the outcome is a doughy mastic, filled with air bubbles, color streaks and it will look like the top left quadrant.



THE SEALANT AGONY OF DEFEAT:

Mushy mastic results from mixing for less than 10 minutes

SEALANT SUCCESS:

How it turns out when you've mixed it for at least 10 minutes



The "BAKE-A-CAKE" Technique

DECK-O-SEAL Division Manager Jim Dill teaches how to apply DECK-O-SEAL using his "BAKE-A-CAKE Method." If you've ever purchased a cake mix, or even pancake mix, you know that if it isn't perfectly mixed and the white flour is still showing, some areas of the cake will bake faster than others. When it's not perfectly blended, your cake won't be winning any blue ribbons at the county fair.

Once you mix cake ingredients, let it sit for a few minutes, and then tip it on its side to get all of the air bubbles to form one large air bubble, and then pop it, so you don't have a cavernous cake. You'll want to do the same with your joint sealant.



MARBLING = NO BUENO
 LIKE CAKE BATTER,
 MARBLING IS NOT A GOOD
 THING for an EVENLY BAKED
 CAKE, NOR AN EVENLY
 CURED JOINT SEALANT

SEALANT SUCCESS:

10 Minutes of Mixing
 Time Ensures an Even
 Mixture That Cures
 Evenly



We hope this information helps you, but if you more questions, please call
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