Pervious Pavers Maintenance Guide



| Inspection Checklist | Y/N | | If yes, perform the following maintenance. |
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| Are weeds growing between the pavers? | Yes | No 🗌 | Pull all weeds out by the roots to prevent them from returning. Do not use herbicide as it may infiltrate to the groundwater. |
| Has sediment accumulated between the pavers? | Yes 🗌 | No 🗌 | If spaces between pavers are clogged and preventing water from infiltrating, the pavers should be vacuum swept* and aggregate fill material replaced. |
| Are trash, excessive leaves, grass clippings, or other debris present? | Yes 🗌 | No 🗌 | Remove any debris present. |
| Are any pavers damaged or broken? | Yes 🗌 | No 🗌 | Repair damage or replace pavers as needed. |
| Has the fill material between the pavers been depleted? | Yes | No 🗌 | Replenish aggregate fill material as necessary. |
| Is there standing water on or between the pavers 48 hours or more after a rainfall? | Yes 🗌 | No 🗌 | This is an indication that your pervious pavers are not functioning as designed, likely due to a larger problem that will require further study and action. |
| Additional Comments: | | | |

Importance of Pervious Pavers

The pervious pavers on your property make a significant positive impact on the water quality of nearby lakes and streams. This kind of surface is designed to reduce stormwater runoff by allowing water to drain through the spaces between the pavers. Water then moves to a layer of coarse gravel. It is temporarily stored in spaces between rocks underneath the pavers until it moves to the surrounding soil. The soil naturally removes pollutants such as phosphorus, nitrogen, and heavy metals from the water. This helps prevent these and other pollutants from entering our lakes and streams where they can cause unwanted algae and degrade water quality. Thank you for your help in protecting our water resources by keeping your pervious pavers looking great and functioning properly.



*A vacuum sweeper is a piece of equipment that removes sediment and other types of debris from the spaces between the pavers. This must be done if pavers become clogged with debris in order to help the pavers drain water properly. Following a thorough cleaning, aggregate fill material must be replaced.