

## **General Guidelines for Care of NatraTex Cotswold and NatraTex Colour Asphalt**

*Our Asphalt products have a wide range of uses and types which are relatively low maintenance. The details below will help in caring for the longevity of your chosen Asphalt.*

### **Contamination**

Oils, Petrol, spillages etc. will damage the Asphalt and should be removed by means of soaking up the contaminant as soon as possible. Washing the affected area with warm soapy water or a citrus based cleaning product is advised – Do NOT use a solvent based product for cleaning the Asphalt surface.

Soil & Organic debris that become deposited directly onto the surface need to be removed periodically to keep the surface clean; this prevents vegetation that may develop within the foreign matter embedded in the surface matrix of the material, light brushing with a stiff broom in dry weather will normally suffice. Porous products will require a routine maintenance regime to prevent early life deterioration and maintain drainage.

### **High Stress & Point Loading**

Repetitive location stress to the surface particularly in the materials early life will scuff; if continued will ultimately damage the finish and integrity of the Asphalt. Therefore, excessive steering movements should be avoided, use of 'Skid Steer' type equipment is NOT recommended.

Point-loading (very high level of load through a small surface area) e.g. ladders, trailer jockey wheels, HGC trailer legs, crane stabiliser etc. must use adequate and appropriate means to evenly spread the load throughout a larger area of the Asphalt surface. This is extremely important in the newly surfaced Asphalt and in very warm and south facing locations.

*This information provided above is intended as a guide only, for specific additional information please contact our Technical Team on 01594 826768.*