



How to remove Aquadeck EVA Foam Decking

Preparation

When handling Isopropenyl or mineral spirits, or any other chemicals, remember they are highly flammable and can be hazardous if ingested. Always take safety precautions, including wearing protective eyewear, masks, and ensuring the area is well-ventilated. Please check your local regulations for proper chemical handling. If unsure how a chemical will react on your surface, test a small, inconspicuous area first. Before starting the removal process, allow the pads to sit in direct sunlight for about 30 minutes to help soften the adhesive.

Tools You Will Need

- **Plastic putty knife** - for scraping off adhesive
- **Isopropenyl** or Mineral Spirits- to assist with adhesive breakdown
- **Stiff nylon brush** (if applicable) - for cleaning crevices and textured surfaces
- **3-5 clean rags** - for applying solutions and wiping down surfaces

Removal Steps

1. **Start by Lifting the Pad**
Carefully peel up one corner of the pad. It may take some effort, but try to remove it in one piece, as torn pieces can be more challenging to handle.
2. **Use a Plastic Scraper**
While pulling up the pad, use a plastic putty knife to help release the bond between the pad and the surface.

3. **Apply Heat in Cold Climates**

If you're in a cold climate, consider using a heat gun to help soften the adhesive and make removal easier.

4. **Loosen the Adhesive with Isopropenyl or Mineral Spirits**

If the pad begins to tear, use the plastic scraper along with Isopropenyl or mineral spirits to help loosen the adhesive. Repeat this process for each pad you're removing.

5. **Remove the PSA (Adhesive)**

Apply a layer of Isopropenyl or mineral spirits to the adhesive area using a clean rag. If you're only removing one pad, ensure the mineral spirits do not come into contact with neighbouring pads.

6. **Allow the Solution to Soak**

Spread the rag over the adhesive area and soak it with Isopropenyl or mineral spirits. Let it sit for 5-10 minutes to break down the adhesive.

7. **Repeat as Needed**

Continue applying Isopropenyl or mineral spirits until the entire adhesive area has been treated.

8. **Scrape Off the PSA**

Use the plastic putty knife, starting from the edges and working inward, to lift and remove the softened adhesive.

9. **Tackle Crevices with a Nylon Brush**

If the surface isn't completely smooth, use a stiff nylon brush to clean out adhesive from any grooves or crevices.

10. **Remove Residual Adhesive**

For any leftover adhesive, use isopropenyl and a clean rag for final removal.

11. **Clean and Dry the Surface**

Once the adhesive is removed, wipe down the entire area with a clean, dry cloth and allow it to dry thoroughly before proceeding