

Maintenance Tips**A. Fixing of cladding boards and trims**

Fix loose cladding boards and trims. Replace any damaged boards

B. Dirt on the surface

Wash down according to paint manufacturer's instructions to remove contamination from weathering and any loose particles.

C. Coating and need for repaint

Loose paint material should be removed by sanding or scraping. Brush down to remove dust from the surface. Treat surface with one or more coats. Use the same translucent wood stain or opaque wood stain as used before. Always follow paint manufacturer's instructions.

D. Rain damage

Clean any accumulation of leaves and trash from the gutters so that the water flows freely through them. Repair any leaks where water can get behind the cladding boards and cause deterioration. Make sure that water does not stand on horizontal surfaces (chamfering of horizontal surfaces and bottom edges).

E. Flashings

Any flashing that does not direct water away from the cladding boards, or allows water to penetrate into the wall, must be corrected. Improperly installed flashing may cause leakage.