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1.1 Twinson overview

1.1.1 Material & benefits

Best of both worlds:

Welcome to the world of Twinson where nature and technology go hand in hand.

Twinson is made of wood and PVC. By combining the advantages of both materials in a single new base material, Twinson offers the best of both worlds: the natural appearance and warm feel of wood, the ease of maintenance and durability of PVC. Twinson is also 100% recyclable.

What's more, with its PEFC certification, Twinson is an environmentally friendly alternative to tropical hardwood. While tropical hardwood is only available from endangered rain forests, Twinson contains pinewood that grows quickly in continuously replanted forests. The extraordinary qualities of Twinson Terrace are guaranteed by the German VHI quality label and the French NF514 quality label provided by LNE.

Notes:

Twinson is a durable product. In accordance with norm EN 350-1, which describes the durability of different kinds of wood, Twinson reaches the highest class 1. (see 1.2/12)

	TWINSON	WOOD	PVC
Does not split	XX		XX
Resistant to insects	XX		XX
Easily maintained	XX		XX
Slip resistance	XX		
Quick and easy installation	XX	Х	Х
Durable and natural	XX	Х	ХХ
Treatment required		XX	
Resistant to rot without treatment	XX		XX
UV stable	XX		XX

About PEFC:



The international non-profit organisation PEFC is dedicated to sustainable forest management. With more than 200 million hectares of certified forest, PEFC is the largest certification system in the world. PEFC ensures that the number of trees harvested is not greater than the number replanted, and that biodiversity is retained.

Essential here is respect for the natural habitat of fauna and flora, as well as for the soil and climate.

1.1.2 Colours

All decking materials as well as those manufactured from wood-composite products are expected to weather naturally over time. During the first months of exposure to the elements, Twinson Terrace(+) will weather typically to a slightly lighter shade of the original colour. This process is a result of a combination of waterabsorption of the wood fibres and UV stabilisation at the surface of the boards. Careful observation shows that the colour change or colour fading is due to the lightening of the wood fibres. Once the initial stabilisation has taken place, minimal colour change is witnessed.

Twinson colours:



The colour samples are reproductions and can deviate from the originals. The large inset shows the natural colour which the Terrace(+) planks will change to over time.

1.1.3 Machining & safety precautions

Machining:

General: You can use almost the same range of tools as for wood.



- Specific tools/machining:
 Glass paper, sandpaper, wire brush or steel wool.
 Drilling: HSS metal drill bits.

 During drilling: for best result do not apply heavy pressure.
 Periodically lift the bit to clear the shavings.

 Cutting: use saw blades with carbide teeth.

 This blade

 - - Thin blade.
 - Number of teeth: minimum 80.
 - Burrs can be removed with glass paper or steel wool.

Safety precautions:



Beware using electrical products and powertools outdoor. Follow the manufacturers instructions regarding saftey and never use electrical equipment outdoors when it is raining. When using electrical devices for machining the Twinson profiles, we recommend wearing a dust mask and safety goggles.

There are no specific measures necessary to process Twinson as there are no dangerous particles being released during processing.

1.1.4 Twinson recycling

- An important aspect of sustainable building is the life expectancy of the materials and the impact that they have on the environment. There is no sense of using an environmentally friendly building material if the durability can not be guaranteed.
 That is why Deceuninck has created the Twinson bag. The intention is that after installation all the Twinson cut-offs are collected in the special Twinson bag. This material can be returned to Deceuninck to be recycled, enabling us to have a closed loop recycling system.



- To guarantee that the next generation of Twinson profiles are not polluted with saw dust, aluminium or other material we ask you to only put Twinson cut-offs in the bag.
- Close the bag before returning it to Deceuninck.
 Maximum weight of 30kg.

1.1.5 Warranty

DECEUNINCK NV Warranty certificate Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ products

Subject of the conditions set out below, Deceuninck NV warrants to the purchaser who directly purchases from Deceuninck NV (hereinafter "Purchaser"), that the Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ products will correspond with their specification at the time of delivery.

SAVE AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THIS WARRANTY, DECEUNINCK NV DOES NOT PROVIDE ANY WARRANTY (WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED) AS TO THE QUALITY OF THE TWINSON® TERRACE / TERRACE+ PRODUCTS OR THEIR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE (EVEN IF THIS PURPOSE IS MADE KNOWN EXPRESSLY OR BY IMPLICATION BY DECEUNINCK NV) OR AS TO THE CORRESPONDENCE OF THE TWINSON® TERRACE / TERRACE+ PRODUCTS WITH ANY DESCRIPTION OR SAMPLE. NEITHER DOES DECEUNINCK PROVIDE ANY OTHER WARRANTY. SUCH WARRANTIES ARE HEREBY EXCLUDED TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.

Notwithstanding the stipulations of this Warranty and subject to evidenced normal residential use, load and maintenance conditions, Deceuninck NV, (hereinafter "Deceuninck") warrants to the Purchaser that,

- for a period of twenty-five (25) years from the date of original purchase, Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ products shall not split, splinter or suffer structural damage as a sole and direct consequence of termites, insects or soft rotting micro-fungi;
- (2) for a period of ten (10) years from the date of original purchase, Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ products shall not break, provided however that this warranty explicitly excludes occurrences where the break occurs or may have occurred as a consequence of impact loads;
- (3) for a period of ten (10) years from the date of original purchase, that accidental stains on the Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ products due to spots of chlorinated water, spots of bleach solution or spots of road salt, as stated in the maintenance instruction for Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ products (www.twinson.com), will disappear after sufficient outside exposure of the material.

If one of the above defects occur within the related Warranty period, Purchaser shall immediately notify Deceuninck in writing to the place of business of Deceuninck, and the Purchaser shall provide a description of the claimed defect, proof of purchase and of purchase date and of normal residential use, load and maintenance. If these conditions have not been complied with, the Warranty shall not be applicable. Upon timely notification and in accordance with the above, Deceuninck will at its option and in Deceuninck's sole discretion either, (a) provide Purchaser with non-defective replacement Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ products or (b) substitute the defective Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ product with a product that in its sole determination is of comparable value and quality or (c) refund the portion of the purchase price paid by Purchaser for such defective product taking into account the depreciated value of the product (not including the cost of its initial installation).

Any replacement or substitute products provided will be covered under this Warranty only for the time remaining under the original Warranty period.

Deceuninck reserves the right to discontinue availability of any Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ product at any time.

The replacement, substitution or refund of defective Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ products is Purchaser's sole remedy under this Warranty.

Deceuninck will have no liability or responsibility to the Purchaser other than as expressly provided in subparagraphs (1), (2) and (3) above.

Labour costs incurred in removing defective Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ products or installing replacement or substitute products are NOT covered by this warranty. Any additional costs and expenses, such as shipping, delivery, installation, removal, and all other incidentals are not covered by the warranty and are expressly disclaimed. **Stabla Sababa S**

No person or entity is authorized by Deceuninck to make any statement or representation as to the quality or performance of Twinson® Terrace / Terrace+ products other than as contained in this warranty and Deceuninck shall not be bound by any statement or representation. This warranty may not be altered or amended except in a written instrument signed by Deceuninck and Purchaser. This warranty is governed by Belgian law.

This warranty is issued by Deceuninck NV on 25th January 2012 and accepted by Purchaser.

Name, address and signature Purchaser

This warranty must be returned signed to Deceuninck NV, att. Central Laboratory, Bruggesteenweg 164, B-8830 Hooglede-Gits where it will be registered. Photocopies are not accepted.

1.1.6 Storage & transport

- · Store profiles or stillages containing profiles in a dry and ventilated environment, away from direct exposure to sunlight.
- Stock and transport the profiles horizontally.
 Handle long profiles with 2 persons (> 2 m).
- · Unload the profiles with care.



- · Ensure that the profiles are secured during transportation, Twinson profiles can easily slide over each other and this can leave shiny tracks and burrs on to the profiles.
- Distance between supports maximum 1m.
 Profiles or stillages partially stored outside will result in differences in colour on the profiles. The parts of the profiles that are exposed to the elements (rain, UV) will incur some weathering and change in colour.





1.2 Overview

1.2.1 P9555



1.2.2 P9520



1.2.3 Multifunctional products



1.2.3 Lengths

COLOUR	9555	9520		9556		9590)	9591	9592
	(*)	AVAA	(*)		(*)		(*)	(*)	(*)
522 walnut	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m		4.5 m/	бm	4.5 r	n/6 m	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m
502 liquorice	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m		4.5 m/	бm	4.5 r	n/6 m	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m
503 hazelnut	hazelnut 4.5 m/6 m 4.5 m/6 m 4.5 m/6 m		4.5 r	n/6 m	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m			
504 bark	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m		4.5 m/	6 m	4.5 r	n/6 m	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m
505 turf	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m		4.5 m/	6 m	4.5 r	n/6 m	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m
506 apricot	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m		4.5 m/	6 m	4.5 r	n/6 m	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m
507 olive	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m		4.5 m/	6 m	4.5 r	n/6 m	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m
509 river stone	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m		4.5 m/	′6 m	4.5 r	n/6 m	4.5 m/6 m	4.5 m/6 m
COLOUR	9552	9523	952	22	9524		9518	9543	,
	(*)	الحا	Ľ	<u> </u>				F	
00 aluminium		6 m	6	m	6 r	n			
12 black anodized							4.5 m	6 m	
65 silver anodized							4.5 m	6 m	
66 brown anodized							4.5 m	6 m	
29 recycled	4.5 m/6 m								

Below you'll find an overview of the Twinson colour which matches the best with the aluminium colour of the finishing profile P9518 and P9543. The choice of the colours is a suggestion and not an obligation.

TWINSON COLOUR	RECOMMENDED COLOUR ALU
522 walnut	66 brown anodized
502 liquorice	12 black anodized
503 hazelnut	66 brown anodized
504 bark	12 black anodized
505 turf	12 black anodized
506 apricot	66 brown anodized
507 olive	65 silver anodized
509 river stone	65 silver anodized

1.2.4 Summary

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		3.2	آلیا 3.3	5. 4	3 .5	3.6
4.1 4.2	START/STOP	4.2	4.2	6		۔ 4.2
	CONNECTION	4.2.3 4.2.4	4.2.3 4.2.4	æ,	1	4.2.3 4.2.4
		/	/	/	3.5.3	/
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	FINISHING	5.2			1	
		5.3	5.3	5.3		
		5.4	5.4			5.4
4 .1 4.3	START/STOP	/	4.3.2 4.3.5	3	4.5.3	4.3.2 4.3.5
		/	/	/	/	4.3.2 4.3.5
	CONNECTION	/	4.3.3 4.3.4			4.3.3 4.3.4
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		/	/	/	¢	/
	FINISHING	/	5.3	5.3		
		/	5.4	Г	_	

1.2.5 Data sheets

1.2.5.1 Material characteristics

Deceuninck Twinson products meet strict quality standards and are manufactured in accordance with established ISO 9000 quality management system procedures.

			prEN 15534-1	based on	specific property	unit	value
		density	§ 6.1	ISO 1183-1/A		kg/dm ³	1.41 ± 0.05
	physical	moisture content	§ 6.2	ISO 16979		%	< 0.2
	properties	HDT	§ 6.3	ISO 75-1/A		ပ	73±2
	1	vicat softening point		ISO 306/B50		°C	84 ± 2
		impact resistance	§ 7.1.1	ISO 179-1fU	charpy	kJ/m²	> 5
					tensile modulus	MPa	5500 ± 10%
		tensile properties	§ 7.2	ISO 527-2/1B	tensile strength	MPa	> 35
					strain at break	%	1 ± 10%
					flexural modulus	MPa	5500 ± 10%
	mechanical	flexural properties	§ 7.3.1	ISO 178	bending strength	MPa	> 55
	properties				bending at break	%	1 .3 ± 10%
s		creep behaviour (9MPa/30°C/20 days)	§ 7.4.1	ISO 899-2	elongation	%	< 0.3
DIT		recistance to indentation	K 7 E	EN 1524	1 kN	MPa	> 100
SIS			C. 1 S		3 kN	MPa	> 120
15T		nail and screw withdrawal	§ 7.6	EN 13446		MPa	> 50
/C.		artificial weathering	1103		discoloration	dE	< 20
/ชา		(300 hours WOM)	S 0.1.1	7-7604 00	impact retention	%	< 20
٨H					mass increase	%	8~
о ⁻		moisture resistance	5 2 1 5	EN 317	length increase	%	< 0.6
14		(28 days)	0.000		width increase	%	< 1.5
B	P. 31.4 -				thickness increase	%	<4
эт <i>/</i>	durability	resistance to termites	§ 8.4.2	EN 117		class	+
M		resistance against basidiomycetes	§ 8.4.3.2	ENV 12038		class	+
		resistance against soil inhabiting soft rotting micro- fungi	§ 8.4.3.3	CEN/TS 15083-2		class	-
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	properties	(thickness	10-6 K-1	80 - 90
		thermal conductivity		ISO/CD 22007-2	room temperature	W/m.K	0.2 - 0.3
		oxygen index	§ 10.1	ISO 4589-2		%	> 20
	burning	enimator		NF P92-501		class	M4
	behaviour	chiadiatoi		NBN S21-203		class	A4
		kleinbrenner	1	DN 4102-1		class	B2

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1.2.5.2 Quality labels

· VHI:

We are proud to inform you that the Twinson Terrace(+) system has been granted the German "VHI" quality label. The German wood industry has created a quality label for WPC (Wood Polymer Composites) terrace planks.

Twinson Terrace(+) meets all the test criteria. These values have been tested by the official test institute SKZ (Süddeutsches Kunststoffzentrum).

The following product related characteristics are measured: (see data sheets)

- Flexural properties (EN 310)
 Boiling test (EN 1087-1)
- Slip resistance (Floor slider 2000 EN 13893)
- · Creep behaviour (ISO 899-2)
- · Cyclic conditions (EN 321)
- · Linear thermal expansion (DIN 53752)

· LNE:

We are proud to inform you that Twinson Terrace(+) has been granted the French "LNE" quality label. The LNE provides an independent audit service of both our production process and our after sales market. These are the different tests that the Terrace(+) plank is subjected to:

- · Coefficient of dynamic friction
- · Dimensional variations and waterabsorption
- · Colour verification
- · Linear mass
- · Impact resistance
- · Flexural properties
- · Durability

The tests are based on :

- · XP CEN/TS 15534-1 (2007)
- XP CEN/TS 15534-2 (2007) XP CEN/TS 15534-3 (2007)

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риуsical properties durability durability			prEN 15534-1 § 6.4	based on DIN 51097	specific property bare foot ramp test	unit class	value C
		slin resistance	I	EN 13893	Floor slider 2000	1	> 0.4
			I	CEN/TS 15676	pendulum	USRV	> 36
				DIN 51130	rubber sole ramp test	class	R12
		impact resistance	§ 7.1.2.1	EN 477	falling mass	ſ	6 - 7
		achicara lean st			flexural modulus	MPa	6000 ± 10%
		/l v=50 cm)	§ 7.3.2	EN 310	bending strength	MPa	> 40
					bending at break	mm	15 ± 2
		creep behaviour (Lv=50 cm/85kg/50°C/ 7 days)	§ 7.4.2.1	EN 310	additional bending	шш	< 10
					discoloration	dE	< 20
		natural weathering	8 R J	ISO 877-2	impact retention	%	< 20
		(1 year Bandol)	1	1	bending strength retention	%	< 20
LON		cyclic conditions (Lv=50 cm)	§ 8.3.2	EN 321	bending strength retention	%	< 20
า					mass increase	%	< 8
a		boiling toot	5 0 3 3		length increase	%	< 0.6
оя			S 0.0.0 S	1- 1001 001	width increase	%	< 1.5
Ь					thickness increase	%	< 4
thermal	lal	heat reversion	§ 9.2	EN 479		%	< 0.2
properties	ties	heat build-up	§ 9.3	ASTM D4083		°,	< 45
		single flame source	§ 10.2.1	ISO 11925-2		pass	OK
burning	l l l	radiant heat source	§ 10.2.3	ISO 9239-1		class	Efi s2
	5	hot metal nut test	I	BS 4790		radius	< 35

1.2.5.3 Product related characteristics

P9555:

value						10%																
va	c	> 0.4	> 36	R13	> 10	6000 ± 10%	> 40	15 ± 2	< 10	< 20	< 20	< 20	< 20	8 V	< 0.6	< 1.5	< 4	< 0.2	< 45	OK	Efi s2	< 35
unit	class		USRV	class	J	MPa	MPa	mm	mm	dE	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	°C	pass	class	radius
specific property	bare foot ramp test	Floor slider 2000	pendulum	rubber sole ramp test	falling mass	flexural modulus	bending strength	bending at break	additional bending	discoloration	impact retention	bending strength retention	bending strength retention	mass increase	length increase	width increase	thickness increase					
based on	DIN 51097	EN 13893	CEN/TS 15676	DIN 51130	EN 477		EN 310		EN 310		ISO 877-2	1 	EN 321			1- /001 0.01		EN 479	ASTM D4083	ISO 11925-2	ISO 9239-1	RS 4700
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1.2.5.4 Data sheet explanation

Physical properties:

A. Slip resistance:

Twinson Terrace(+) has a very high slip resistance, even in wet conditions. According to the standard DIN 51097 and DIN 51130, Twinson reaches the highest and most safe classification.

These values of slip resistance are measured by a ramp and are ideal for comparative testing of floor covering materials. Floor coverings are tested by fitting them to the surface of the ramp. An operator then moves or walks forwards and backwards, as per specified test method, whilst simultaneously tilting the table at a set speed, using a remote controller. During the tilting process the operator cannot see the readout which depicts the angle of the table. When slip occurs and the operator looses his or her grip on the floor covering, a reading of the inclined angle is taken. The operator uses special footwear with a specific sole material during each test, this is to prevent the footwear from being a variable factor in the experiment. The operator's safety is assured by wearing a safety harness attached to an overhead gantry. Consistency of the operator is checked at intervals using specially made calibration floor plates.



· Shoe Shod Test DIN 51130:

This test is used for testing a surfaces slip resistance using a specific treaded boot worn by an operator on a lubricated ramp. This test is most useful for assessing profiles surfaces where there is a high risk of contamination. The test is carried out by an operator standing shoe shod on a ramp.

The test itself is done by slowly tipping the ramp and measuring the angle (in degrees) the moment the operator begins to slip. Each R value includes a certain range of degrees. The idea is that the surface is tested in the most extreme of conditions.

R VALU	E	DEGREES
R9 =	extremely unsafe	6° - 10°
R10 =	unsafe	10° - 19°
R11 =	average	19° - 27°
R12 =	safe	27° - 35°
R13 =	extremely safe	35°+

· Barefoot Ramp Test DIN 51097:

This test is used for floor tiles or profile surfaces under wet and barefoot conditions. The tiles or profiled surfaces are fixed on a ramp which is made wet and a test operator walks on them with the ramp set at a succession of increasing angles until the person slips. The angle at which they slip is recorded.

Tiles or profiled surfaces are classified into one of three groups. A, B, C, as an indication of their level of slip resistance.

VALUE	DEGREES
A = unsafe	12° - 18°
B = average	18° - 24°
C = extremely safe	24° +

· Floor slider 2000 EN13893:

This test is measured with a device (Floor Slide Control 2000) that measures the dynamic coefficient of friction of floor coverings. The normal load is 24N and the speed is 0.20 m/s. The test is done with 3 different types of stamps (sliders): standard rubber, leather and synthetic in dry and wet conditions. A frictional resistance of 0 is the lowest result and a frictional resistance of 1 is the maximum result.



· Pendulum test CEN/TS 15676:

This test measures the friction characteristics of each specimen by determining the wet dynamic friction between the specimen and the slider of a pendulum swinging in a vertical plane. The Pendulum Slip Tester has proved to give good correlation between its readings and the incidence of pedestrian slipping accidents and also produces the same hydraulic uplift characteristics that occur when a person slips. The criterion for judging the results of slip resistance tests is based on the work of the Building Research Station in the 1960s,

supported by the experience of investigators and bodies such as the former GLC over the last 40 years. This work suggested that for unencumbered, reasonably active pedestrians aged between 18 and 60 a PTV level of 36 or above represented an acceptably low risk of slipping when walking in a straight line on a level surface.



Mechanical properties:

A. Impact resistance:

EN 477 describes a test method for determining the impact resistance of profile. The profile is subject to an impact from a known height, on the sight surface, at a mid-way point between two supporting internal webs, at a specific fixed temperature. Presently there are no specifications for impact resistance on European level, so any impact value is accepted. The falling mass must be more than 10J; this is equivalent to a 1 kg weight falling from 1m height without showing any sign of damage.

B. Flexural resistance:

EN 310 specifies a method of determining the apparent modulus of elasticity in horizontal bending and bending strength. The test method consists of applying, at a given speed, a force by means of a loading edge in an axial direction to the faces of the test specimen, which is placed on two supporting positions.

The test specimen is a full size product, the width shall be the actual width of the profile. The full length of the specimen is defined as being 20 times its thickness plus 50 mm up to a maximum of 1050 mm.

The calculated value is the apparent modulus of elasticity, because of the shear forces induced in the specimen. The bending strength is the maximum stress calculated from the maximum force recorded during the bending procedure.

The Terrace(+) plank is placed onto 2 supports at a distance of 600 mm, whilst in position the bending machine applies a force until the deflection reaches 3 mm. The total force is expressed as a flexural modus and a bending strength, the result indicates the stiffness of the profile.

The bending machine then applies an increasing force until the profile breaks, the distance of deflection at the point of breaking is measured in millimetres.

C. Creep behaviour:

The same test profiles are tested for creep with a force of 85kg at 50°C for 7 days and the additional bending is registered. Determination in a constant climate of the load duration factor (loss in strength with time under load) and the creep factor (ratio of increase in deflection with time to the initial elastic deflection) in bending by applying and sustaining a constant moment over the central region of the test piece; both the time to failure, and the increase in deflection with time are measured.

Durability:

A. Natural weathering:

The profiles are exposed for 1 year in the Bandol official test centre for checking the natural weathering. The discoloration, the impact retention and the bending strength retention is measured.

EN ISO 877 specifies methods of exposing plastics to solar radiation, either by direct exposure to natural weathering (Method A), to indirect solar radiation by modification of its spectral distribution using glass to simulate ageing of plastics located behind glazing in buildings or cars (Method B), or to solar radiation intensified by the use of Fresnel mirrors to achieve acceleration of the weathering processes (Method C).

- The ageing of the wood plastic composite (WPC) products may be assessed by:
 - the variation of the Charpy impact strength according to EN ISO 179-1 type 1fU
 the degree of chalking according to prEN ISO 4628-6

the difference of colour determined in terms of the grey scale according to EN 20105-A03 or the difference of colour, ΔL*, Δa*, Δb*, ΔE*, determined in according to ISO 7724-1, ISO 7724-2 and ISO 7724-3.

B. Cyclic conditions EN 321:

The profiles are exposed to a cyclic test:

- 28 days under water at 20°C, then 24hours at -25°C and then 3 days at 70°C
 3 days under water at 20°C, then 24hours at -25°C and then 3 days at 70°C
- · 3 days under water at 20°C, then 24hours at -25°C and then 3 days at 70°C
- After this test the bending strength retention is measured.

C. Boiling test ISO 1087-1:

The profile is exposed to a boiling test for 5 hours and after this period the mass increase, length increase, width increase and thickness increase is measured.

D. Resistance against biological agents:

EN 350-1: This part of EN 350 gives guidance on methods for the determination of the natural durability of untreated solid wood to attack by - wood-destroying fungi - insects (beetles and termites) - marine organisms and the principles of classification of the wood species based on the test methods.

Thermal properties:

A. Heat reversion:

This Standard EN 479 establishes a percent of linear shrinkage of profiles at elevated temperature.

Dimensional stability is an excellent indicator of any internal or residual stresses in the profile that may have resulted from the extrusion process. In use shrinkage can lead to distortion of profiles.

It consists of placing a test piece of a specified length in an oven at 100 °C for 1 h. A marked length of this test piece is measured under identical conditions, before and after heating in the oven. The heat reversion is calculated as the percentage change of the final length relative to the initial length per pair of marks.

B. Heat build-up:

External PVC products are susceptible to distortion due to heat build-up from exposure to the sun. A products colour, its emissivity and its reflectance levels can all affect heat build-up. Generally, the darker the colour, the more energy is absorbed. However, even products with the same apparent colour can exhibit varying levels of heat build-up, this is due to the actual colour pigment.

The greatest heat build-up occurs in the black colours containing carbon black pigment. The black control sample used in this test method contains 2.5 parts of furnace black per 100 parts of PVC suspension resin.

For a surface at 45° or on a horizontal plain where the sun is perpendicular, the maximum temperature rise above ambient temperature for this black is 90°F (50°C) and 74°F (41°C) for a vertical surface, this is assuming the measurements were taken on a cloudless day with no wind and without heavy insulation on the back of the specimen. Using a specific type of heat lamp to imitate the suns energy, this test method measures the temperature rise relative to that of a known black surface reference, from this a predicted heat build-up is made. The test method also predicts the heat build-up of various colours or pigment systems, or both. This test method provides a relative heat build-up compared to black under certain defined severe conditions, but it does not predict actual application temperatures of the product as this can depend on; air temperature, angle of the sun, cloud concentration, wind speed, insulation or if the installation is positioned behind glass, etc.

The determination of the predicted heat build-up test method described in ASTM D4803-2002 and prCEN/TS 15534 annex F covers the prediction of the increase in temperature above that of ambient air due to the amount of energy absorbed by a specimen from the sun, relatively to a black reference.

The predicted maximum heat build-up is calculated by multiplying an experimental reference temperature rise under real solar exposure by the ratio of the temperature rise of the specimen and the temperature rise of the black control sample, measured under a IR lamp of 250W.

Burning behaviour:

A. Single flame source ISO 11925-2:

The test determines the possibility of ignition of a vertically assembled test piece by exposure to a small flame, on the edge and/or the surface of the test piece. The ignition source consists of a small flame (0,8 kW) which is put under an angle of 45° across the test piece. The ignition source is placed on a sliding platform, so the flame can be brought in and drawn off by a smooth movement. Underneath the product that has to be tested, a small basket is placed with two layers of filter paper to collect possible burning and/or non-burning droplets or particles determining the time to ignition of the filter paper. The dimensions of the test specimen are 250 mm x 90 mm. For each flame application, 6 test specimens have to be tested. The flame application duration is 15 sec or 30 sec, dependent on the expected Euroclass classification. During and after the flame application it is observed whether the flame spread reaches the reference mark of 150 mm within a duration of 20 sec or 60 sec after flame application.



B. Radiant heat source:

EN ISO 9239-1 specifies a method for assessing the wind-opposed burning behaviour and spread of flame of horizontally mounted floorings exposed to a heat flux radiant gradient in a test chamber, when ignited with pilot flames. EN ISO 9239-1 is applicable to the measurement and description of the properties of floorings in response to heat and flame under controlled laboratory conditions. The test specimens shall be representative of the flooring, in its end use. At 10 min intervals from the start of the test and at the flame-out time, the distances between the flame front and the zero point are measured. Any significant phenomena such as transitory flaming, melting, blistering, time and location of glowing combustion after flameout, penetration of the flame through to the substrate are observed and recorded.

C. Hot metal nut test BS 4790:

A heated stainless steel nut is placed on the sight-surface of the material to be tested. The times of flaming and of afterglow and the greatest radius of the effect of ignition from the point of application of the nut are measured. Three stainless steel nuts are tested weighing 30 + 2g to $900 + 20^{\circ}$ C and the nut is removed from the Terrace(+) plank after 30 + 2s. The flame extinction time, after-glow/smouldering time or time to reach the outer clamping ring is measured. The radius of effects of ignition on both use surface under the side of the specimen is recorded.

Radius of tested area:

- · Up to 35 mm: Low radius of effects of ignition
- · 40 mm to 75 mm: Medium radius of effects of ignition
- \cdot 80 mm and over: High radius of effects of ignition

1.3 Profile sheets

1.3.1 Profile sheet P9552:





9540 (Polyamide black)

9555

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1.3.2 Profile sheet P9523:







1.3.4 Profile sheet P9524:



1.3.5 Profile sheet wood:



1.3.6 Profile sheet P9555:





1.3.7 Profile sheet P9520:







9525 (Polyamide black)



9526 (Polyamide black)

1.3.8 Profile sheet P9543:







1.3.9 Profile sheet P9518:





Terrace / Terrace+ General plan

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- 2.1 Preparation
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2.1 Preparation

Before you start your plan, it is a good idea to prepare a written list of all the general and specific requirements for your deck. Here are some questions to help you:

- What do we want to use our deck for? What size should it be? How many people will use it? Is it for residential or commercial use?
- Where will the water drainage go? Where do we want the slope to head towards?
- Will we be using electrical appliances later on? Do we have access to the domestic electrical power supply?
- How will we guarantee sufficient air circulation underneath the deck?
- Will we have to incorporate lights for evening use? Will the lights be stand alone or built into the deck surface?
- What is the condition of the site and foundations? Is it sufficiently stable? How long has it been there? Are there any construction parts or tree roots running underneath the section where we plan the deck? How will we position and stabilise the structure underneath? Do we need to take out a lot of ground in order to stabilise it? What shall we do with the excess ground material?
- If it is a roof terrace: what is the top layer of the roof made of? Can we build anything on top of it? How can we fasten the boards without damaging the waterproof layer?
- What type of joints will we be using? What are the standard lengths?
- How will we create shade if needed?
- How will we make the transition from/to the house (elevation, pathways,...)?
- Will we need additional heating?
- What parts of the deck will be covered? If you live in a rainy area, do you intend to use the deck when it rains? How shall we assemble and anchor the construction?
- Do you want an eating area which includes a table, food preparation counter, storage, grill, seating.
- Hot tub, planter garden, reading area...?

2.1.1 Drafting your plan:

A. Take a photo or photos of the site (enlarge) and mark:

- details
- dimensions
- outlines of the house including doors and relevant windows
- Hazards: Underground electricity, gas, phones, cable TV, tanks (water, fuel, septic)
- · large natural objects: trees, bushes
- · location of neighbouring houses and easements
- location of downpipes to carry away water
- compass directions:
 - wind directions
 - sun position during the day: shadows cast by the house or nearby trees that will affect shading of the deck
- accurately determine the total drop in elevation over a certain horizontal distance
- attempt to integrate an array of small designs into a whole
- B. Draw a deck plan which includes:
 - all the components drawn from the photos during the preparation process
 - all the important dimensions:
 - overall size
 - locations of support beams (depending on the direction of the Terrace(+) planks)
 - finishing profiles
 - house perimeter
 - doorways and windows.
- C. Draw an elevation plan which includes:
 - the heights of the various deck components
 - vertical arrangement
 - other information not easily conveyed on the plan view

2.1.2 Installation restrictions:

First read carefully the installation instructions. Twinson acquires certain specific installation methods which include expansion rules, support rules, fixing rules,...

- Thorough studying of the technical manual, will ensure more profitable projects. Failure to do so may result in difficult installations, unforeseen problems or even errors that may jeopardise the deck's long-term integrity and/or the product warranty.
 - Is the construction according to the local building regulations and planning rules and the following been taken into account?
 Meets requirements for safe construction
 - plumbing or electrical work for hot tubs or lighting
 - depths and seismic requirements
· Acclimatise profiles to local site conditions for at least 24 hours before installation.

· Installation below 0° C is not allowed.

- \cdot Twinson Terrace(+) profiles must not be used as a structural component.
- Twinson Terrace(+) planks must be installed on a grid or lattice. You cannot install the planks directly on to the flat ground because of ventilation and water drainage reasons.
- · Planks cannot be glued to the ground.

2.1.3 Design considerations:

Site selection for climate and exposure.

· Influence of local weather conditions needs to be considered when you locate your deck.

- Position of a deck in relation to the daily path of the sun: for countries North of the equator:
 - · Cold climate: avoid northern and cooler side of the house
 - · locate on the southern and western sides of the house to capture the afternoon and evening sun
 - shade from trees is unwelcome
 - Warmer climates: provide shade by location locate on the eastern side of the house

 - take advantage of shade in the late afternoon or early evening
 - · Very hot climates:
 - · locate on the northern side of the house
 - take advantage of the coolest side at midday
- When deciding the location of your deck, provisions for sufficient unobstructed air flow should be made allowing thorough drying of the space beneath the deck. Ventilation holes/air vents at various positions around the perimeter should be provided.
- · İs the deck surrounded by trees? A shaded deck will require more cleaning from moss, tree debris or sap.
- Lighter Terrace(+) colours will be affected by this more so than darker colours.

2.1.4 Installations that require expert or engineer's advice:

- · Highly elevated decks
- · Ground with poor bearing capacity
- Steep or unstable hillsides
- · Large cantilevers
- · Roof decks
- · Supporting structures and foundations with concentrated loading such as hot tub, Jacuzzi, big flower pots,...

2.2 Survey and inspection

2.2.1 Condition of the foundation

The supporting structure and foundation of a deck needs to: • be strong enough to hold up the deck itself • statically weight-bearing • people who will be using the deck • all of the things placed on the deck • be protected against • rot and insects • be solid enough to withstand • freezing temperatures • wind or mild quakes • be flat with a slope of 10mm/m in the direction of the Twinson Terrace(+) planks • guarantee the water flow at all times • for proper drainage • water logging must be avoided

You should seek a local engineer's advice when there're doubts about the foundation.

2.2.2 Foundation prepared for a FIXED substructure:

FIXED = SUBSTRUCTURE DIRECTLY FIXED INTO FOUNDATION



2.2.3 Foundation prepared for a FLOATING substructure:

FLOATING = SUBSTRUCTURE NOT FIXED INTO FOUNDATION

SUBSTRUCTURE	LEVELLING
Structural For example: · Concrete foundation posts · Wooden poles construction that rests on a concrete footing · Steel posts with steel beams · Concrete footing · Plastic cone-shaped footing form with a pier tube on top, filled with concrete · Pier block · This list is not exhaustive.	• Integrated in the structure • Adjustable post base •
Sufficient stable and compacted gravel base For example: • Flint chips • Shingle • Gravel (bed) • Pebble stones • Other stones • This list is not exhaustive.	 Concrete pier tubes Downpipe filled with concrete Precast pier blocks
Roof or balcony terrace	Concrete pads Paving support pads or blocks Cement filled bags

Structural

• If necessary, please contact a structural engineer for advice and install according to the local building regulations and planning laws.

· Sufficient stable and compacted gravel base

• If necessary, you need to integrate loadbearing points to support the understructure of the Terrace(+) system.

Thick layer of gravel

• Áinimum 200 mm

• Finished with a geotextile, geofabric or ground foil insulation (*) (e.g. Polystyrene) to prevent weed growth.

· Roof or balcony terrace

• Concrete pads: minimum 400 x 400 mm and 50 mm thick

On roof or balcony terraces high wind loads must be absorbed. To secure aginst high wind loads it may be necessary to use concrete plate anchors. The height of the damp proof course must be more than 150 mm (following the local standards).

The level of the Terrace(+) planks must be 50 mm under the upper side of the damp proof course (following the local standards). Observe local building regulations and planning laws.



^(*) Geotextile, geofabric or ground foil insulation are permeable fabrics which, when used in association with soil, have the ability to separate, filter, reinforce, protect and drain. When used within a foundation of soil, rock or earth etc its purpose is to increase stability and decrease wind and water erosion. It also prevents that sand or other granulates that may have been used specifically from mixing with the ground underneath.



2.3 Step-by-step assembly



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3.1 General rules

3.2 P9552

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3.6 Hardwood

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3.1 General rules

3.1.1 General

· Always use at least 3 support beams per length (P9523, P9522, P9524 or hardwood).

 \cdot A maximum overhang of 50 mm is allowed at deck ends.

• Provide sufficient unobstructed air flow to allow thorough drying of the space beneath the deck. Ventilation holes/air vents at various positions around the perimeter are required.

• The foundation must maintain a slope of 10mm/m, in the direction of the grooves. The Terrace(+) planks must follow the same slope to ensure proper drainage. Drainage provisions should be foreseen beneath outside water taps. Method to set the slope:

- Laser
- Cord/nylon line
- Levelling stick

Ground/foundations directly in the right slope

· Special patterns:

When planning a specific pattern you need to adjust the substructure to support the decking pattern. Care should be taken with the support span and spacing between planks.

• Terraces (fixed or floating) where the planks are longer than 6m should be made using planks of 3m max.

• Floating terraces where the substructure is longer or wider than 6m should be made using support frames of 6m x 6m max. For special projects contact your Terrace(+) dealer.

3.1.1.1 Terraces less than 6m:

• Maximum 250 mm (=P9555) or 300 mm (=P9520) distance centres between the first and second support beam and the second last and last, when installed at 90°.

• Maximum 500 mm (=P9555) or 600 mm (=P9520) distance centres between all other support beams when installed at 90°. • For terracing used by the public, these support centre distances need to meet local building regulations and planning laws.







- Maximum 175 mm (=P9555) or 200 mm (=P9520) distance centres between the first and the second support beam and the second last and last, when installed at 45°.
 Maximum 350 mm (=P9555) or 400 mm (=P9520) distance centres between all other support beams when installed at 45°.
 This is required for the P9552 support beam or a hardwood frame.



3.1.2 Maximum load



· According to EN 310 the profiles will be submitted to a three point bending test. The length of the profile is the distance between the supports plus 100 mm. The profiles will not be fixed on the support beams. The support beam of the test apparatus should be cylindrical as described in test method EN 310. This is done using a concentrated point load; the test parameter is that the plank can bend a maximum of 3 mm with a load of 100 kg or 150 kg.

· P9555 -> 500 mm:

• 14 x 100 kg point load because we have 3 support beams = 1400 kg

 $1m^2$

• P9520 -> 500 mm:

- with 1m² this means that we have 6 planks of 1 m
- 12 x 150 kg point load because we have 3 support beams = 1800 kg

 $1m^2$

• P9520 -> 600 mm:

• with 1m² this means we have 6 planks of 1m

• 12 x 100 kg point load because 3 support beams with distance of 600 mm and calculated to 1m²= 1000 kg 1.2 m²

	P9555	Ι		

	P9555	P9520	P9524
Ix	18.20 cm ⁴	27.67 cm ⁴	56.38 cm ⁴
ly	295.03 cm ⁴	530.37 cm ⁴	26.09 cm ⁴

· For commercial applications such as restaurant, public places,... we recommend a maximun centres of:

350 mm = P9555 / 500 mm = P9520

• The Terrace(+) system is not developed for loads such as cars, trailers, horses,... (this list is not exhaustive).

• The terrace planks cannot be seen as self supporting! For applications in galleries, walkways, access balconies, stairs,... (this list is not exhaustive) special measures must be foreseen.

[•] with 1m² this means that we have 7 planks of 1 m

3.1.3 Expansion rules

Terrace $\leq 6m$:

• Take a general expansion allowance of 4 mm per linear meter into account. • Distance from fixed objects:

Aluminium understructure ≤ 6 m: allow min. 5 mm expansion at both ends of decking
 Twinson planks longitudinal direction: min. 20 mm expansion at both ends of decking
 Twinson planks widthwise: min. 5 mm expansion on both sides

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Terrace > 6m:





Options without finishing:









3.3 Support beam P9523

· Profile P9523 is not a structural support.

 Profile P9523 needs to be fully supported and installed on a concrete slab. The quality of the foundation needs to meet with local guidelines/legislation.

The usage of packing blocks, paving support pads, plots,...
is forbidden.



• The foundation needs to be installed with a slope of a minimum 10mm/m.

· Needs to be fixed at the beginning and end.

• Needs to be fixed alternately at \leq 500mm centres to the foundation using suitable fixings, this can be a screw + plug or self tapping screw.



We recommend creating a gap of approx 20mm between lengths of support beam in order to guarantee drainage.
Place extra pieces depending on the type of finishing.



3.4 Support beam P9522

· Profile P9522 needs to be supported every 500mm.

• The foundation needs to be installed with a slope of a minimum 10 mm/m and this can be done by the usage of packing blocks.





· Needs to be fixed at beginning and end.

· Needs to be fixed at 500mm centres to the foundation using

If packing blocks have been used, fix the P9522 support beam through the packing block and into the foundation. We recommend that you fix with a screw + plug or a self tapping screw and the head of the screw needs to be tightened on to the upper layer of the P9522.



· Be sure that the waterdrainage can be guaranteed.

C · Place extra pieces depending on the type of finishing.



3.5 Framework P9524

3.5.1 With P9555 11111

- · For a floating substructure you are required to make a complete framework.
- · Always use the P9524 on the high side.
- The maximum distance between supports along the length of P9524 is ≤ 1200 mm.
- The maximum distance between two lengths of the P9524 in the direction of the planks is < 2000 mm (B, C or D).
 - A: ≤ 1200 mm

B: < 2000 mm: 103.25 + (12 x 144.5) + 28.75 first module equals 14 planks of P9555

C: < 2000 mm: 65.75 + (12 x 144.5) + 66.25 2nd module equals 13 planks of P9555

D: < 2000 mm: 28.25 + (12 x 144.5) + 103.25 3rd module equals 13 planks of P9555

- E: ≤ 6000 mm
- F: ≤ 250 mm
- $G: \leq 500 \text{ mm}$
- H: ≤ 6000 mm
- I: corner connection



J: support beam positioned in between clips





Example max. dimensions:



 If you want to end with a full plank of the P9555, you will need to calculate the length of all the required support beams.



• Calculate 103mm from the edge of the first support beam (A) to the center of the joint.



· Calculate 144.5 mm for every plank.





NOTE:

• Floating terraces where the substructure is longer or wider than 6 m should be made using support frames of 6 m x 6 m max.

3.5.2 With P9520 **ТҮҮҮР**

- · For a floating substructure you are required to make a complete framework.
- \cdot Always use the P9524 on the high side.
- \cdot The maximum distance between supports along the length of P9524 is \leq 1200 mm.
- The maximum distance between two lengths of the P9524 in the direction of the planks is \leq 2000 mm (B, C or D).
 - A: ≤ 1200 mm
 - B: 120 + (11 x 167) + 43 first module of 2000mm equals 13 planks
 - C: 74 + (11 x 167) + 89 2nd module of 2000mm equals 12 planks
 - D: 28 + (9 x 167) + 120 3rd module of 1651mm equals 10 planks
 - E: ≤ 6000 mm
 - F: ≤ 300 mm
 - G: ≤ 600 mm
 - H: ≤ 6000 mm

I: corner connection



J: support beam positioned in between clips





Example max. dimensions:



 If you want to end with a full plank of the P9520, you need to calculate the length of all the required support beams.





NOTE: • Terraces larger and/or longer than 6 m should be composed of different frames of max. 6 m x 6 m.

3.5.3 Assembly of a floating structure

A single supporting structure is only valid when sections of profiles P9524 are securely fixed to one another forming a solid framework. The support beams are fixed to each other by using the corner brackets P9527/P9531.

- When the length of the support beam is ≥ 2 m you need to install extra support beams in the same direction as the planks.
- The standard corner bracket is the P9527 (SST, DINA2) and in strongly corrosive surroundings like coastal regions, swimming pool,... we recommend to use the corner bracket P9531 (SST, DIN A4).

SEQUENCE OF ASSEMBLY



1. Install the P9527/P9531

- Slide the corner bracket into the first support beam; this support beam will form the top or end of your framework.
 Move the first support beam next to the connecting support beams; your connecting support beams will form the sides of your framework.
- · Slide the corner bracket from the top support beam into the side support beam.
- Place a 1 mm packer between the corner bracket and the side support beam, do this while you fix the corner bracket to the top support beam using self tapping screws P9515 with an M10 wrench. Remove the 1mm packer and fix the corner bracket to the side support beam. This procedure will tighten the two support beams together. If using a powered screwdriver be sure to limit the torque as this will prevent stripping the thread of the screw.





3.6 Hardwood framework

Installation rules of chapter 3 remain valid!

 \cdot Fixed:

Use only durable (tropical) hardwood of the highest durability class (class 1 for all countries/class 4 for France) to make a wooden grid or a solid framework and use dividing beams to strengthen the structure. Ensure that the framework is level.

· Floating:

Use only durable (tropical) hardwood of the highest durability class (class 1 for all countries/class 4 for France) to make a wooden grid or a solid framework and use dividing beams to strengthen the structure. Ensure that the framework is level. The choice of dimensions of the wooden support beams should be relevant to the surface, loads (wind), etc. to which the terrace will be exposed and according the local building regulations. If necessary, please contact a structural engineer.

When using paving support pads or concrete slabs etc on a roof terrace we recommend you install a protective layer beneath each element to prevent the roof from absorbing moisture or leaking.

The height of the damp proof course must be greater than 150mm (or in accordance with local building regulations). The level of the Terrace(+) planks must be 50mm below the upper edge of the damp proof course (in accordance with local building regulations).



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4.1 General rules

4.2 P9555

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4.1 General rules

· For a perfect result, it is advisable to cut both ends of the plank removing approx 10 mm.

 \bigwedge · Never screw the decking plank directly in to the framework.

· Because of the wood fibres the profiles can differ slightly in colour, it is therefore recommended to mix the planks before installation.

· Use a powered screwdriver with adjustable torque to fix all clips so that screws do not strip their thread.

• The terrace can end with a full plank or a cut-off/edged plank. For the P9555 the cutting dimensions should be as followed:



4.2 P9555

4.2.1 Prevent planks from shifting

- In some cases the planks can move or slide (particularly shorter lengths), this could cause people to slip. It is important to note that this shifting of planks disappears in time as the planks absorb moisture and swell slightly. For safety reasons however you may want to block the planks from shifting.
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· Only block plank P9555 once with one screw P9546 (aluminium substructure) and P9538 (Twinson substructure). Blocking each plank more than once could cause deformation due to the expansion being restricted.







Option A: Expansion in both directions:











Option B: Expansion in one direction:



4.2.2 Start: 4.2.2.1 Fixed substructure



- Before placing the first P9555 Terrace plank on a Twinson or wooden substructure, install the starter profile P2761.
 - The aluminium starter profile is fixed onto every support beam with the screw P9542. To prepare the starter profile for fixing, pre-drill with a 4mm bit and countersink the head of the screw so it is level with the profile.



- The use of a powered screwdriver with torque adjustment is recommended so that the screws do not strip their thread.
- · Slide the first Terrace plank in to the P2761.
- $\mathbf{\gamma}$ Before placing the first P9555 Terrace plank, install the clip P9529.
 - The clip P9529 is fixed onto every support beam with the screw P9542. The use of a powered screwdriver with torque adjustment is recommended so that the screws do not strip their thread.
 - Be sure that the clips are perfectly aligned to each other.
 - · Slide the first Terrace plank in to the aligned clips P9529.
- Before placing the first P9555 Terrace plank, you need to install the clip P9512.
 - The clip P9512 is fixed onto every support beam with the screw P9546. The use of powered screwdriver with torque adjustment is recommended so that the screws do not strip their thread.
 - Be sure that the clips are perfectly aligned to each other. • Keep a distance of 15 mm between the clip P9512 and the wall or any other object.
 - Slide the first Terrace plank in to the aligned clips P9512.

4.2.2.2 Floating substructure



- **5** Before placing the first P9555 Terrace plank, you need to install the clip P9529.
 - The clip P9529 is fixed onto every support beam with the screw P9542. The use of a powered screwdriver with torque adjustment is recommended so that the screws do not strip their thread.
 - Be sure that the clips are perfectly aligned to each other.
 - · Slide the first Terrace plank in to the aligned clips P9529.

4.2.3 Connection 4.2.3.1 Clip P9540



- Position and fix the clip P9540. The clip needs to be screwed with the P9538 to the P9552 or hardwood.

 - When using hardwood: pre-drill with Ø 3 mm. The use of a powered screwdriver with torque adjustment is
 - recommended so that the screws do not strip their thread.
 - Place a clip to every support beam and between every plank.





The fixing clip P9540 has a spring capacity. Place the Terrace plank against the clip without compressing the springs. As each plank is fitted check the overall measurement to ensure they remain parallel.



4.2.3.2 Clip P9528



- Position and fix the clip P9528.
 The clip P9528 needs to be screwed with the P9546.
 The use of a powered screwdriver with torque adjustment is recommended so that the screws do not strip their thread.
 Place a clip P9528 to every support beam and between every plank.



The fixing clip P9528 has a spring capacity. Place the Terrace plank against the clip without compressing the springs. As each plank is fitted check the overall measurement to ensure they remain parallel.



4.2.4 Connections: butt joint: 4.2.4.1 Clip P9540





4.2.4.2 Clip P9528





4.2.5 Stop







The profile P2761 needs to be glued on the substructure. For gluing instructions see 5.1.1.





As an alternative you can use the P9543 as starter profile as well as ending profile.



4.2.5.2 Clip P9529



- You can end with a full plank or with a cut-off plank. The last plank P9555 is fixed with the clip P9529. Before fitting the last plank, position it with clip P9529 and mark the position of the clip on the support beam. After fixing the P9529, click in the last plank by using the spring of the clip.



4.2.5.3 Clip P9512



- You can end with a full plank or with a cut-off plank. The last plank P9555 is fixed with the clip P9512. Before fitting the last plank, position it with clip P9512 and mark the position of the clip on the support beam. After fixing the P9512, click in the last plank by using the spring of the P9512.



4.3 P9520

4.3.1 Prevent planks from shifting

- In some cases the planks can move or slide (particularly shorter lengths), this could cause people to slip. It is important to note that this shifting of planks disappears in time as the planks absorb moisture and swell slightly. For safety reasons however you may want to block the planks from shifting.
- Only block planks P9520 once with 2 standard self tapping screws (4 x 25 mm). Blocking each plank more than once could cause deformation due to the expansion being restricted.



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Hardwood

4.3.2 Start: 4.3.2.1 Fixed substructure



- Before placing the first P9520 Terrace+ plank, you will need to install the clip P9512.
 - The clip P9512 is fixed onto every support beam with the screw P9546. The use of a powered screwdriver with torque adjustment is recommended so that the screws do not strip their thread.
 - Be sure that the clips are perfectly aligned to each other.
 - Keep a distance of 15 mm between the clip P9512 and the wall or any other object.
 - \cdot Slide the first Terrace+ plank in to the aligned clips P9512.
- **7** For terraces on a hardwood substructure with the P9512 startclip:
 - You need to prepare the wood for the P9512 clip!
 - Follow the same method of installation as for the aluminium support beams P9523/P9522.
 - Note that the direction of the plank is reverse in comparison with the aluminium support beams. The initial side of the plank P9520 needs to be tongue side.
 - Keep a distance of 15 mm between the clip P9512 and the wall or any other object.
 - Slide the first Terrace+ plank in to the aligned clips P9512.
- **2** For terraces on a hardwood substructure with the P9526 clip:
 - \cdot The clip P9526 is fixed with standard RVS screws 4 x 35 mm for wood.
 - Follow the same method of installation as for the aluminium support beams P9523/P9522.
 - Keep a distance of 15 mm between the clip P9526 and the wall or any other object.
 - Note that the direction is reverse in comparison with the next clips. The initial side of the plank P9520 needs to be tongue side so that the clip P9526 can be easily fixed.

4.3.2.2 Floating substructure



A Before placing the first P9520 Terrace+ plank, you need to install the clip P9512.

- The clip P9512 is fixed onto every support beam with the screw P9546. The use of powered screwdriver with torque adjustment is recommended so that the screws do not strip their thread.
- Be sure that the clips are perfectly aligned to each other.
- · Keep a distance of 15 mm between the clip P9512 and the wall or any other object.
- \cdot Slide the first Terrace+ plank in to the aligned clips P9512.
- **5** For terraces on a hardwood substructure with the P9512 startclip:
 - · You need to prepare the wood for the P9512 clip!
 - Follow the same method of installation as for the aluminium support beams P9524.
 - · Note that the direction of the plank is reverse in comparison with the aluminium support beams.
 - The initial side of the plank P9520 needs to be tongue side.
 - · Keep a distance of 15 mm between the clip P9512 and the wall or any other object.
 - Slide the first Terrace+ plank in to the aligned clips P9512.

6 For terraces on a hardwood substructure with the P9526 clip:

- The clip P9526 is fixed with standard RVS screws 4 x 35 mm for wood.
- · Follow the same method of installation as for the aluminium support beams P9524.
- · Keep a distance of 15 mm between the clip P9526 and the wall or any other object.
- Note that the direction is reverse in comparison with the next clips. The initial side of the plank P9520 needs to be tongue side so that the clip P9526 can be easily fixed.

4.3.3 Connection 4.3.3.1 Clip P9525



- Position and fix the clip P9525.
 The clip P9525 needs to be fixed using screw P9546.
 The use of a powered screwdriver with torque adjustment is recommended so that the screws do not strip their thread.
 Place a clip P9525 to every support beam and between every strengthered. plank.



The fixing clip P9525 has a spring capacity. Place the clip against the Terrace+ plank without compressing the springs. As each plank is fitted check the overall measurement to ensure they remain parallel.



4.3.3.2 Clip P9526

P9526/wood





The fixing clip P9526 has a spring capacity. Place the clip against the Terrace+ plank without compressing the springs. As each plank is fitted check the overall measurement to ensure they remain parallel.


4.3.4 Connections: butt joint:





· With P9526: TOP VIEW





4.3.5 Finishing 4.3.5.1 Clip P9512



- You can end with a full plank or with a cut-off plank.
 The last plank P9520 is fixed with the clips P9512.
 Before fitting the last plank, position it with clip P9512 and mark the position of the clip on the support beam.
 After fixing the P9512 with the P9546, click in the last plank by using the spring of the P9512.



4.3.5.2 Clip P9512 + hardwood



- You can end with a full plank or with a cut-off plank.
 You need to prepare the hardwood for the P9512 clip!
 The last plank P9520 is fixed with the clips P9512.
 With a cut to size plank, first you need to position the last P9520 plank with the clip P9512 and mark the position of the clip on the support beam.





4.3.5.3 Clip P9526 + hardwood



- You can end with a full plank or with a cut-off plank.
 The last plank P9520 is fixed with the clips P9526
 With a cut to size plank, first you need to position the last P9520 plank with the clip P9526 and mark the position of the clip on the support beam.



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5.1 General

5.2 End cap

5.3 Plinth

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5.5 Plinth & Aluminium

5.6 Multifunctional plank

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5.1 General

	SCREW	GLUE	SUPPORTED	FIXATION	P9555	P9520	P9552	P9523	P9522	P9524
						ATAAAAB	Ы	പ		
P9590	×		 always completely on water resistant wood 	• 2-component PU-glue • 1-component MS polymer	\checkmark	\checkmark				
P9591	X	V	always completely	• 2-component PU-glue • 1-component MS polymer	\checkmark		V	V		
P9592	X	\checkmark	always completely	• 2-component PU-glue • 1-component MS polymer	V		V	V	V	
P9556		V	• always continiously by the support beam	• every 300 mm • 35 mm from corner • 2-component PU-glue • 1-component MS polymer		V	V	V	V	
P9543		X		• every 600 mm • 80 mm from corner	V	X	V	X	X	X
P9518		X		• every 300 mm • 35 mm from corner		\checkmark		V		

P9557	×	X		• P9539 (SST fixation clip)		X	/	/	/	/	
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5.1.1 Gluing profiles

· In general a 2-component PU glue is the best for gluing Twinson. To achieve the best result the instructions for using the glue must be read in detail. The guidelines for use must be followed precisely in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

GLUE TYPES

- 2-component PU-glue
 1-component MS Polymer glue

STEP BY STEP BONDING PROCEDURE

Step 1:

Rough up the surface if you glue a non-brushed side of the Twinson material or a smooth surface of another material. Typically a steel brush or sandpaper is sufficient.

Step 2:

- · Clean the surface with Acetone.
- The surface needs to be dust-free and grease-free.
- · Attention:
 - When using the 2-component PU-glue: the applicated surface must be dry.
 - When using the 1-component MS Polymer glue: moistening the surface will accelerate and improve the bond strength.

Step 3:

- Glue the surfaces with a 2-component PU glue or a 1-component MS Polymer.
 The entire surface of the profile must be coated with glue.
- · Care must be taken during the gluing process to ensure the expansion of the terrace plank is not restricted.

IMPORTANT

- Only the multifunctional profiles P9590, P9591, P9592 and the plinth P9556 can be glued.
- \cdot Gluing the Terrace(+) planks is not allowed.

5.2 End cap

• The end caps are specially designed to ensure air circulation in the chambers of the profile P9555.



 \cdot Clip the P9539 to the end cap.







5.3 Plinth P9556

- The plinth is fixed with screws when using a Twinson or hardwood support beam and glued when using an aluminium support beam. The exception to this rule is P9523 aluminium support beam, here the plinth must be screwed. • Different finishing methods are possible. (5.3/1; 5.3/2; 5.5/1)
- · Length of plinth: max. 3 m.



5.3.1 Fixing the plinth

- Pre-drilling the plinth is vital! The hole size must be larger than the diameter of the screw.
 Be sure that the plinth is fully supported whilst fitting.
- The plinth must be fitted using 1 screw every 300 mm, preferably towards the centre of the plinth, approx 35 mm from the bottom of the plinth.
- The first screw should be positioned no more than 35 mm from the end.





5.3.2 Gluing the plinth • For gluing instructions see 5.1.1 gluing profiles.



5.4 Aluminium finishing

- Pre-drilling the aluminium finishing profiles (P9543, P9518) and the aluminium support beam (P9523, P9522, P9524) is necessary. Use a Ø 3 mm drill suitable for metal.
 The aluminium finishing profile must be fixed every 600 mm. If using a powered screwdriver be sure to adjust the torque as
- this will prevent stripping the thread of the screw. The first screw should be positioned no more than 80 mm from the end.
- The P9518 can be combined with the Terrace and the Terrace+ plank and with all the aluminium support beams. The P9543 can only be combined with the Terrace P9555 plank.

5.4.1 P9543



· Screwing through the Terrace planks is not allowed!



5.4.2 P9518

- Depending on the height of the support beam, the P9518 finishing profile can be used in several different directions.
 The aluminium finishing profile can be fixed to the aluminium support beam using screws with a minimum length of 20 mm. Pre-drilling is necessary, use a Ø 3 mm drill suitable for metal.





5.5 Combining plinth + aluminium finishing

- Pre-drill the aluminium profile P9518, the plinth P9556 and the aluminium support beam.
 The plinth is glued to the support beam, remember to rough up the surface if you are gluing the non-brushed side of the Twinson material or the smooth side of another material! The whole surface of the P9556 must be glued.
- \cdot Screw the finishing profile P9518 to the plinth P9556 using SST screws with a minimum length of 20 mm.



· Screwing through the Terrace(+) planks is not allowed!



- The plinth is screwed to the support beam (see 5.3).
 Pre-drilling the plinth, the aluminium support and the aluminium finishing profile is neccessary.



5.6 P9590

- The multifunctional plank P9590 must always be fully supported. The whole surface of the P9590 must be glued (See gluing instructions 5.1/2).
 Screwing the P9590 is not allowed.



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7.1 Initial cleaning

7.2 General

7.3 Cleaning and care

7.4 Replacement

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7.1 Initial cleaning

After installation there is potential for dust build-up from sawing the planks etc. Because of this we recommend you thoroughly wash the surface. Washing should be done using a soft brush and water combined with a diluted household detergent. Spray your terrace using a garden hose or pressure cleaner (pressure cleaner nozzle should be kept 30 cm from the surface and the pressure limited to 100 bar max) rinsing each plank thoroughly and evenly in the direction of the grooves.

The build-up of static electricity is a natural occurrence for products containing PVC. The phenomenon will disappear with time should you experience it with your terrace.



max. 100 bar

7.2 General

Twinson is maintenance friendly but this does not mean maintenance free, you will therefore still need to maintain the terrace. Terrace(+) planks should be cleaned on a regular basis with a diluted liquid bleach solution, this should help prevent the build-up of any moss-like deposits.

However as with any other outdoor wall or floor covering/rendering using wood, plastic or stone etc, the risk of decay from a combination of external factors, in which water often plays an important role, can occasionally occur. The surroundings, orientation, design and condition of the original building will often influence how well (or not) your wall/terrace performs. Your surroundings and orientation are not usually things your can control, if you are aware you live in an urban location near busy roads or heavy industry it may be advisable to opt for a darker colour (e.g. Liquorice black 502). Over time this colour will be less sensitive to the more pollutant of environments.

The longer the period the planks are exposed to natural weathering the less susceptible they will be to staining. In particularly sheltered areas with little or no extreme pollutants, dirt can still build-up from dust and pollen etc, this is due to air pollution. When such particles come into contact with moisture, (from damp air, dew or rain), water marks can form creating clearly defined dark edged marks. In regularly weathered areas, rain will dilute these particles, washing them away naturally. To help prevent these accumulations of dirt forming, we recommend cleaning with a soft brush or sponge with lots of water (you can add a mild soap solution to clean stubborn marks).

After installation avoid dragging garden furniture, outdoor grills or any sharp objects across the surface, try to keep the surface generally free of debris that could cause damage. Scratches that do appear will usually weather to a consistent colour meaning they become less visible, this is due to the products density and through colour formulation. Twinson material contains its own natural protection and therefore does not need treatment from artificial preservatives or staining products. Painting, deck sealant application or water proofing is also not necessary, if applied these products will not bond effectively to the surface and will eventually flake off. Use of any of these types of products is not covered by the Twinson warranty.

All decking material and wood-composite products are expected to experience some level of weathering over time. During the first 12 weeks of exposure to the elements, Twinson will typically weather to a slightly lighter shade from the original colour. This process is a result of a combination of water absorption in the wood fibres and UV stabilisation at the surface of the planks. Close inspection shows that this colour change or fading is due to the natural bleaching of the wood fibres. After this initial acclimatising, any colour change will be less visible.

7.3 Cleaning and care

- · Cleaning with a pressure cleaner is allowed if the instructions for use are followed and the applied pressure is not higher than 100 bar. Adopt a minimum distance of 30 cm and move the waterjet in the direction of the grooves and prevent the use of circular jet movements.
- Remove burrs and/or scratches :
 - Remove burrs with a steel brush, sand paper or steel wool
 - Always work in the direction of the grooves
 - Remove dust after treatment



- · Ice and snow:
 - Calcium chloride or rock salt which is available in many DIY centres will melt on Twinson decking. When possible, rinse away, do not let it soak in. Remember, any marks should be removed as soon as possible using
 - lots of water, a sponge and a mild cleaning product where applicable.
 - Use caution when removing snow or ice with a shovel, use a snow shovel not a metal shovel as this may scratch the deck. Damage of this nature is not covered by the Twinson warranty.
- Burn spots:
 - Rub the surface lightly with fine abrasive paper, a wire brush or steel wool.
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 Always work in the same direction as the grooves to minimise damage to the surface.
- · Food deberis:
 - Use a pressure cleaner, eventually rubbing aggressively using a diluted liquid bleach solution
- · Paints (synthetic and water based):
 - · Carefully remove as much paint as possible using a filling knife or something similar
 - Rub the surface lightly with fine abrasive paper, a wire brush or steel wool.
 - Always work in the same direction as the grooves to minimise damage to the surface.
- · Vegetable, animal or other fats and oils:
 - Use O-Clean P9545: spray the product over the affected area and rub it in. Leave to allow cleaner to work.
 - Rinse thoroughly with lots of water
 - P9545 comes in a 200ml bottle (12 per box)

The use of the following Deceuninck cleaning products is prohibited!

- PVC Cleanup P956
- PVC Protect P960
- Decoclean P961
 - PVC Cement Wipe-off P965

Consult the chemical resistance and cleanability document if marks have not disappeared or dried immediately. For each generic name there are different products that demand special cleaning instructions.

Twinson material has been extensively tested on a large number of products that it may come into contact with during its

application. There are 3 categories:

Is resistant to: This product type leaves no permanent mark on the material or the stain disappears in a short space of time after outside exposure.
Is less resistant to: This product type leaves a light mark on the material.
Is not resistant to: This product type leaves marks on the material that remains clearly visible.

RESISTANT TO	LESS RESISTANT TO	NOT RESISTANT TO		
Floor cleaning soap + water	Butter	Silicone (= a silicone based sealant)		
Concentrated bleach solution	Milk	Acrylic paint		
(chlorinated water)	Sun cream	Synthetic paint		
Concentrated ammonia	Vinegar	Shoe polish		
Road Salt (for icy roads)	Red wine	Felt-tip		
Weed killer	Ketchup	Deceuninck cleanup		
Household product used to clean windows	Candle wax	Lipstick		
(e.g. Instanet)	Cement cleaner	PVC glue		
White spirit		Strong acids		
Chlorinated water used in swimming pools		Strong bases		
Dish washing detergents (e.g. Dreft)		Acetone		
Coffee				
Fruit juice				
Coca cola				
Drinking chocolate				
Chalk				
Isobetadine				
Silicone oil (= a silicone based lubricant)				
Fuel oil (diesel & petrol)				
Lubricants based on petrol derived				
products (liquid & solid)				
Cement				
Synthetic thinner				
Graffiti cleaner				

Cleanability Twinson material:

GENERIC NAME	PRODUCT	SPECIAL CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS if not removed immediately (*)		
Vegetable, animal and other	Butter	Spray O-CLEAN on the mark and rub if desired. Leave to act for a few minutes, then rinse with large quantities of water.		
fats & oils	Milk			
	Yoghurt	quantities of water.		
	Olive oil			
	Salad oil			
	Fondue ojl			
	Mayonnaise			
	Cocktail sauce			
	Frying oil			
	Sun cream			
	Lubricant			
	Motor oil	—		
	Petrol	—		
	Heating oil	—		
	Lubricant	—		
Burns	Cigarettes	Lightly sand surfaces with fine sandpaper, a steel brush or		
	Charcoal	steel wool (**)		
Stubborn food residues	Ketchup	Scrub well with a diluted bleach solution, then rinse		
	Tomato puree	with large quantities of water.		
	Spaghetti sauce	The use of a pressure washer (***) is recommended		
	Red wine	to remove stubborn residues.		
	Fruit			
	Instant soup			
Sugar-containing soft drinks	Coca cola	Scrub well with a diluted bleach solution, then rinse		
5 5	Fruit juice	with large quantities of water.		
	Soft drinks	The use of a pressure washer (***) is recommended		
		to remove stubborn residues.		
Hot drinks	Coffee	Scrub well with a diluted bleach solution, then rinse		
	Теа	with large quantities of water.		
	•••	The use of a pressure washer (***) is recommended		
		to remove stubborn residues.		
General cleaning products	Floor cleaning soap			
	Bleach solution			
	•••			
Special cleaning products	Cement cleaner	Scrub well with a diluted bleach solution, then rinse with large quantities of water.		
	Deceuninck cleanup	Lightly sand surfaces with fine sandpaper, a steel brush or steel wool (**)		
	Graffiti cleaner	Lightly sand surfaces with fine sandpaper, a steel brush or steel wool (**)		
	O-Clean			

Cleanability Twinson material:

GENERIC NAME	PRODUCT	SPECIAL CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS if not removed immediately (*)				
Organic solvents	Acetone	Lightly sand surfaces with fine sandpaper, a steel brush or steel wool (**)				
	MeCl					
	MEK					
	Trichloroethylene					
	Isopropanol					
	Tetrahydrofuran					
	Diethyl ether					
Acids	Sulphuric acid	Lightly sand surfaces with fine sandpaper, a steel brush or				
	Nitric acid	steel wool (**)				
Bases	Caustic soda	Lightly sand surfaces with fine sandpaper, a steel brush or				
	Ammonia	steel wool (**)				
Paint	Water-based	Remove paint with a filling knife and lightlt sand surfaces				
	Synthetic	with fine sandpaper, a steel brush or steel wool (**)				
Hardened materials	Silicone	Repeated treatment with O-CLEAN				
	Glue	If this treatment is unsuccessful, remove material with a filling knife and lightly sand surfaces with fine sandpaper,				
	Candle wax	a steel brush or steel wool (**).				

(*) If certain marks have not been removed immediately for any reason, they may dry on the surface. They typically fade or disappear after exposure to outside conditions (sun and water).

(**) Sand in the direction of the grooves to prevent unnecessary damage to the surface. By removing the upper layer the original colour as established at installation is acquired. This minor difference will be rectified after no more than 12 weeks by which time the colour will be uniform.

(***) Pressure washer (max 100 bar) combined where needed with a mild cleaning product. Always use the water jet in the direction of the grooves, avoiding any turning movements. Note: This must be set on single stream setting and not on multi stream.

7.4 Replacement

After replacing a plank, the Terrace(+) planks need to acclimatise again, this means there will be a colour difference initially. You can accelerate the weathering process by regularly adding moisture to the new plank using water. The difference in colour between the new and the old planks will converge much faster.

7.4.1 P9555 with P9540

SEQUENCE FOR PLANK REMOVAL/REPLACEMENT

Step 1: To replace a plank, unscrew the clips P9540 on every support beam next to the plank that needs to be replaced. Step 2: Release the plank that needs to be replaced.









Step 5: Push the plank in its proper position and screw every clips.



7.4.2 P9555 with P9528

SEQUENCE FOR PLANK REMOVAL/REPLACEMENT

Step 1: Cut the Terrace plank to be replaced into two pieces along its length so it can be easily released.



Step 2: Place the new Terrace plank in its final resting position. Now shift the plank 60mm in the direction of the adjacent planks. Mark the position of the hook of the P9528 clip. The marking should be on one side of the Terrace plank on the lower lip or flange. Remove the new Terrace plank and cut away the lip of the new plank where you have marked so the new Terrace plank can slide over the hook of the P9528 clip.



Step 3: Lay the Terrace plank flat by lining up the saw cuts with the hooks of the P9528 clips. Finally shift the Terrace plank 60mm to the correct position.



7.4.3 P9520

SEQUENCE FOR PLANK REMOVAL/REPLACEMENT

Step 1: Place a lever (chisel or trowel etc) into the first clip in the joint between the Terrace+ planks.



Step 2: Lever the chisel or trowel so that the spring style clip is compressed, this will allow the Terrace+ plank to be removed from the clip. Follow the same procedure for each clip along the length of the plank to be removed. CAUTION: Be sure that the tool used for leverage is wide enough so that the edges of the Terrace+ planks are not damaged.



Step 3: To replace the missing plank you will need to follow the same procedure. Measure and cut the new plank to size. Tilt the plank and hook one side into the spring clips. Lay the plank flat, compressing the clips along the length until the new plank is in position.



Although it is possible to replace a plank in case of damage, the clip and slide system can not be used as an access opening.