

Trex Fencing Receiving, Storage & Handling

Trex Fencing is an outdoor building product and, like all such materials, could be impacted by handling. Proper freight receiving, storage and handling will reduce the risk of damage.

Freight Receiving

INSPECT. Check for damages and take pictures of any discrepancies with pallets still on the carrier's trailer.

VERIFY. Check receipt of total carton/unit count. Confirm counts before signing the driver's paperwork.

DOCUMENT. Verify driver has notated any discrepancies or damages on paperwork. Make necessary copies.

PROPERLY OFFLOAD. Use forklifts with long forks. Pallets can weigh over 1000 lbs. and may be as long as 12 ft. Use of lift gates is not feasible.

PROPERLY STORE. Immediately cover any opened materials. Ensure the product is dry. Immediately remove any gate panels from the carton and stand them upright.

For more detailed instructions, visit [TrexFencingFDS.com/freight-receiving-instructions](https://www.TrexFencingFDS.com/freight-receiving-instructions)

Storage and Handling

- Store Trex products on a flat and level surface. Adjust support blocks accordingly.
- Support Trex bundles on supplied dunnage.
- When stacking Trex bundles, supports should start approximately 8" from each end and be spaced approximately 2ft on center. Supports should line up vertically/perpendicular to the fencing product.
- Do not stack Trex bundles more than four pallets high.
- Keep material covered using the provided bundle cover until time of installation.

Impact of Factory Manufacturing and Handling

When Trex is manufactured, the heated plastic and wood slurry runs through extrusion machines. This can cause the appearance of a sheen on the surface of the material. The sheen is much less visible over time as the product is exposed to the elements. As with any product, multiple handling events can create the accumulation of scuffs, abrasions, scratches, etc. Properly handled, these will be minimal and will be less visible as the product weathers.

Installation

To avoid damage, proper care should be taken during installation. Do not drag the components across themselves or other surfaces that may cause wear to appear. Laying the components on dirt or rocky soil can damage the surface of the material. Keep materials on pallets with protective covering and sheets underneath the material while installing or stand the material upright on a clean surface. Do not let the product lean for an extended period, otherwise, warping may occur. When setting posts, do not let concrete dust or wet concrete to adhere to the posts above the ground as it may not be possible to clean off after the concrete cures.

If the material is scratched but not compromised, there are simple remedies to reduce the visibility of the marks. Applying a small amount of WD-40 to a rag and lightly rubbing it into the affected area will darken the marred area, which will then become more uniform with the surrounding material as the product weathers.