



BSW
Timber

Our Timber Care Guide

How to keep our products in the best condition in your timber yard.



We work hard to ensure the timber we supply is delivered on time, in the right quantities and that it is fit for purpose.

We want to help you keep our timber in the best condition in your timber yard. This guide is designed to help you manage your timber storage effectively.



Timber is a “Natural” Product

Timber is a resilient material, but incorrect handling and poorly organised storage are major causes of damage and wastage.

Stock Protection

- Once timber has been unloaded, if storing inside take off the pack wrapping to allow the timber to breathe.
- If storing outside leave the wrapping on to protect from elements such as the rain, sun and wind.
- Even if the pack is broken, please use the wrap to protect the timber from the rain, sun and wind.
- We recommend stapling a tile batten across the front face along the length to hold the wrap in place as the pictures show below.

1 - Batten Attached



2 - Partly Opened



3 - Batten Stapled To Cover



Moisture

- All timber shrinks as it dries and even when kiln dried, there can be changes resulting in movement.
- During Summer months, warmer temperatures, drying winds and strong **sunlight will cause movement.**

Maintenance

- Once packs are opened regularly remake stacks due to:
- Increased health & safety risk of loose pieces.
 - Straightened packs will retain shape better.

Stock Rotation

Some tips on improving your stock holding:

- Regularly bring older stock to the front and on more accessible racks.
- Store freshly delivered stock behind or above older stock i.e. it is easy to sell fresh stock.
- Regularly walk your timber aisles to check presentation and stock holding.
- Don't hide old stock – the problem won't go away.

Maximising Sales

- A small percentage of each pack may be left.
- Create small bundles by placing at front of store to sell through – this is material builders always need e.g. noggins/bearers/pegs.
- Develop a relationship with local pallet manufacturers.



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