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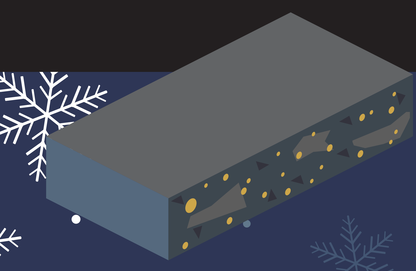
WINTERIZING
FROM FACTORY TO FIELD

Get Freeze-Thaw Ready

When temperatures go below 32° F, moisture freezes and expands. The movement caused by temperature fluctuations can crack concrete. Once cracked, the pavers are at greater risk of damage.

AT STEPSTONE'S FACTORY

Factory sealer* – A single coat of a water-based penetrating sealer is applied to minimize water absorption, unless declined.



Air entrainment* – The process adds micro air cells to the concrete mix to create spaces for moisture to expand into during freeze thaw conditions.

* These extra measures are done only when an order is being shipped to a freeze-thaw climate.

IN THE FIELD

Remove leaves, dirt, sticks and other debris. Leaves and branches left to sit over the winter accumulate moisture and cause surface stains.

Stepstone recommends the maintenance of sealer once the product has been installed and cleaned to further assist in reducing water penetration.

If you notice gaps in the joint material add some paver joint sand wherever it might be needed or sweep in existing sand to ensure solid joints.

Re-direct water flow away from paved areas.