Care & Maintenance continued

Plastisol and PVCu fascias
Require an occasional wipe down with a mild solution of washing up liquid and water to prevent dirt build up, we recommend every 6 months.

Guttering
PVCu gutters should be regularly checked and cleared of leaves and other debris to allow free flow of rainwater. The standard gutter with downpipe will be fixed with the water discharging onto the base. It is your responsibility to make arrangements for the water to be drained away, otherwise the sand and cement fillet may leak.

Timber
All timber components are treated with wood preservative, designed to preserve timber in normal conditions. We recommend a further treatment within 12 months using any of the proprietary brands of wood preservative. Further treatment is recommended every 2 Years, or in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

Steelwork
All non-galvanised steelwork is treated in our factory with a red primer as part of the production process. You may wish to apply a finish coat on site (Hammerite or equivalent). Roof trusses are designed to meet the structural needs of the building and should not be used to support other weights or block and tackle to remove vehicle engines or similar.

Concrete
No maintenance is necessary on concrete elements. For decorative reasons, they can be painted using masonry paint.

General
As with any new structure your building contains a lot of water in the concrete panels and base. You must ensure adequate ventilation to minimise condensation. If you have a problem with the non-structural components of your building (doors, windows, mastic, fascias, guttering, fillet), which requires a visit, a call out charge will be applied. Obviously, vehicle contact with the rear wall of the garage should be avoided. There are two simple methods to make judgement easier:
1. Suspend a ping pong ball from the roof, so that it comes into contact with the windscreen, when the vehicle is correctly positioned.
2. Mark a line on the side wall, in line with the wing mirror to achieve the correct positioning of the vehicle.

Maintenance should be carried out with careful consideration to the safety of yourself and others. Special care should be taken if it is necessary to get onto the roof and the use of crawling boards is essential. In all cases where the use of proprietary treatments is recommended, these should be applied strictly in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

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**Care & Maintenance**
for your LidgetCompton concrete building

- **Doors - up and over, side hung and personnel access**
  Cared for properly, your new door should provide many years of trouble free service.
  Periodically clean your door with warm water and a soft cloth. Allow to dry naturally.
  Bird droppings can be particularly caustic and should be removed immediately on detection.

- **Basic door maintenance**
  Immediately after the door is fitted and after every 5000 operations (or at least once a year) oil all pivot points, check screws and clamped connections for tightness, keep the running tracks clean (do not grease them), check and replace any worn components if necessary.
  The springs should be replaced after approx. 25000 operations by an experienced door fitter (see fitting instructions).
  Do not oil the lock cylinder, use graphite dust if it is sticking. On all hinged doors, hinges and locks should be lubricated at least twice a year and fixings should be checked and tightened as necessary.
  Always ensure that side hung and personnel access doors are secured when in the open position, to avoid the door slamming in the wind.
  A small call out charge will be applied to door guarantee claims that will be fully refunded if deemed to be a manufacturing defect. For more details, also refer to door manufacturer’s Installation, Operation and Maintenance instructions supplied when the garage was installed.

- **Timber doors**
  All side hung timber doors have an initial treatment by total immersion in preservative. We recommend future treatment within 12 months using a proprietary timber treatment, and subsequently at 2 year intervals, or in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

- **Metal doors**
  All up and over and Side-hung doors and personnel doors are finished in white powder coated paint (Other colours and finishes can be specified).

- **Door Warranty**
  Garage up-and-over doors are guaranteed against manufacturing defects for 2 years and are warranted for 10-year’s safe and reliable operation. In the case of wood grain doors a warranty of 5 years is granted. Personnel doors are covered by a 5 year limited warranty against manufacturing defects in structure and door finish, subject to correct care and maintenance. Minor chips or scratches which result in cosmetic or surface corrosion are not covered for any of our doors.

- **Windows**
  All windows are either timber or PVCu, and are supplied factory glazed.

- **PVCu windows**
  Frame Cleaning - Avoid all solvent based or abrasive cleaners. Wash frames with a soap and water solution every 6 months to remove any grime and dust. All moving parts should be kept free of dirt and debris and for lubrication of hardware use light machine oil (e.g. 3 in 1 or WD40) lubricant. PVCu windows are guaranteed for 10 years against product failure and discolouration, with the sealed unit guaranteed for 5 years.

- **Timber windows**
  See subsequent “Timber” instructions. Opening windows should have the hinges lubricated periodically.

- **Fascias**
  **Timber fascias**
  All factory treated with wood preservative, see subsequent “Timber” instructions.