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IMPORTANT NOTICE

FACT 1 - Outdoor timbers exposed to temperature changes, water, moisture or humidity, will absorb or lose water. When this happens timber will swell or shrink, with likely twisting, warping or cracking.

FACT 2 - If your outdoor timber products are not well protected from water. Moisture and temperature changes, you are likely to suffer minor or major timber twisting or distortion, and possibly rotting. This can cause major damage to your property and possible risk to your personal safety.

FACT 3 - Timber weatherboards, claddings, lining boards, hand rails and other similar products must not be installed during extremely hot or very wet weather as moisture loss or absorption will be rapid and timber twisting, swelling or shrinkage is likely to occur.

FACT 4 - Outdoor timber structures must be correctly fixed or fastened on to timber frames at the correct spacing to avoid likely twisting, cupping, or other distortion causing damage and loss. The structure must also be appropriately maintained.

FACT 5 - Incorrect installation methods, inclusive of poor or no clamping, or poor ventilation, may result in timber becoming twisted or distorted, and lead to a shorter service life.

FACT 6 - Use of incorrect nails or other fixing materials may result in your timber twisting and moving with likely damage and loss. Non galvanised nails will rust and possibly break or fail.

FACT 7 - Treated Pine is available kiln dried (KD) after treatment to a moisture content of 12 - 15%. It is recognised by timber experts to be very suitable for most parts of Australia.

Use of wet treated pine should be avoided for structural use as it is not suitable for structural applications.

FACT 8 - Timber must be carefully transported, stored and handled to prevent major water exposure, which can cause shrinkage, swelling, cracking and other movement problems. Storage on or close to the ground may cause water absorption and can result in twisting or swelling.

Is your timber "Fit for Purpose"