

## **PLACING YOUR NEW POWDER COATED PRODUCT: INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE**

### Removing Plastic & Internal Block

1. **DO NOT leave plastic on palletized units** for an extended time. Plastic can permanently damage the surface of your powder coated product if left out in full sun and varying weather conditions.
2. Remove any internal or external stabilization blocks prior to lifting product off of pallet for placement.

### Transport and Installation

1. Due to size and weight of powder coated products, great care should be taken in moving, transporting, and installation.
2. Planters and/or Box Benches should be kept in an **upright position** and are best transported using wood pallets with pallet trucks or a forklift for greater distances.
3. **NEVER TRY TO PLACE POWDER COATED PRODUCTS USING BARE METAL FORKS ON FORKLIFT.** Forks that are not wrapped to protect metal from contact with powder coated units will damage the surface finish, scratch, or even chip the finish of the product.

Clean/debris free tow straps (rated for weight of product being lifted), can be secured around product and should be used in conjunction with a forklift for lifting product off of shipping pallet and placing with guidance on the ground. Straps can be secured to internal lift points (if present), or cradle strapped around the product. Padding such as a moving blanket, foam, or similar padding should be placed between strap and powder coated product so that contact of straps do not chip, scratch, or mar surface finish.

4. **CAUTION:** Forklift operators should take extreme care in lifting and locating powder coated products, especially during installation. Excessive force in placing units, including dropping and bouncing will cause damage to the unit, including denting, scratching, or chipping of surface finish. DO NOT USE pry bars, boards, or similar items to adjust placement of units on the ground as direct contact will cause damage to units. Form and Fiber Inc. is not responsible, nor liable for damage to powder coated products from installation on-site.

### Installation and/or Moving After Initial Placement

1. Form and Fiber Inc. is not responsible, nor liable for accidents resulting from the installation, nor the attempted relocation of powder coated products.
2. Owner assumes all risk, including safety, liability, and damages that may result from installation and/or relocation.
3. Form and Fiber Inc. does not recommend relocation, nor warranties condition of powder coated products in doing so.

### Cleaning and Maintenance

1. Powder coated products can be cleaned using a low to moderate water flow with soft cloth. Do not use soap or chemical cleaning solutions. Do not use wire brushes or high-pressure washers.

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