

# PERVIOUS PAVERS CARE SHEET

The primary goal of cleaning and maintaining your pervious paver system is to extend its functional life by preventing it from clogging with fine sediments and debris. Leaves, weeds, dirt, dust, and other organic matter, can clog your pervious pavers and in turn reduce their ability to drain effectively and efficiently.

**Follow these steps and secure your new pervious pavers installation:**

**Inspect your site on a regular basis:**

- Check for any debris, leaves, weeds, trash, etc. that may accumulate between the gaps of your pavers, particularly after every heavy rain storm and during the fall. Note: Weeding by hand is recommended as the safest way to avoid damaging the paver bricks.

**Sweep and vacuum your pavers every three months:**

- Clean out the gaps in your paver system by using Shop-Vac vacuums and/or leaf blowers. We recommend using them about four times a year.

**Fix, replace, and replenish as needed:**

- Fix or replace damaged pervious pavers.
- Fill between the gaps with aggregate (gravel) when necessary. Always make sure new gravel used to refill the joints is clean.

**Monitor and clear the downspout filter regularly:**

- Regularly check for the area under and around the filter, in case leaves and other debris have been directed there.

**Shovel only if there are 2 or more inches of snow:**

- Remove snow with a rubber tipped shovel/plow or keep plow tip 1 inch above the surface. The remaining snow will melt and drain through the surface.

**Avoid the following at all times:**

- Sanding
- Re-sealing
- Re-surfacing
- Power washing
- Storage of snow piles containing sand
- Storage of mulch or soil materials
- Construction staging on unprotected pavement
- Herbicides for weed control