

## STORAGE & HANDLING GUIDELINES

Follow the below storage and handling recommendations to ensure your MoistureShield decking products look their best for installation.

### STORAGE

#### 1. KEEP IT WRAPPED

Leave the original bands, pallet boards, and wrap in place to ensure the decking boards remain clean and protected from exposure to the elements.

#### 2. KEEP IT FLAT

Always store MoistureShield decking products on a flat surface.

- For stacks in a yard, line up the pallet boards as much as possible through the stack to ensure maximum stability and prevent bowing. Limit 10 units of the same board length per stack.
- For cantilever racks, ensure there's a level rack arm every 48" to help prevent bowing and center the unit across all the rack arms. Limit one unit per rack arm span.
- Loose boards should be stored across a solid surface or wire rack to prevent bowing.

#### 3. KEEP IT SAFE

Do not store near strong oxidizing agents, combustible material, or sources of heat.

#### FLOOR STACK STORAGE:

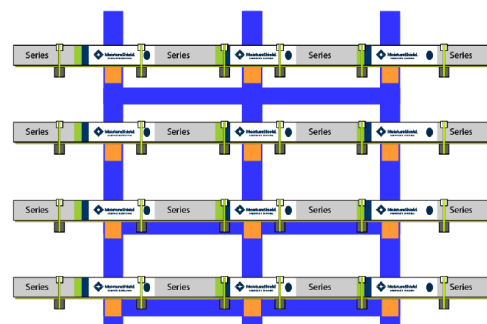


Stable Stack



Unstable Stack

#### CANTILEVER RACK STORAGE:

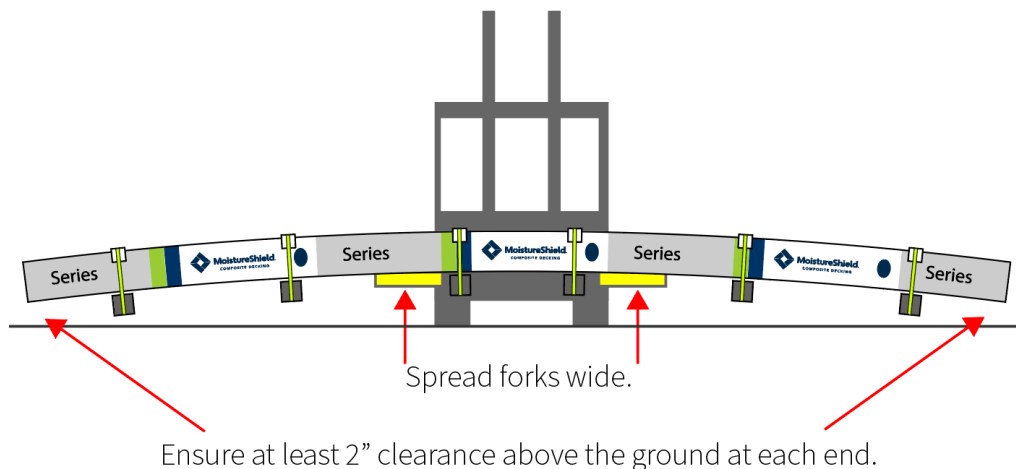
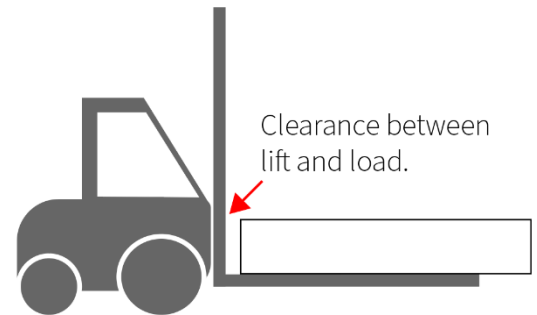


## HANDLING

### 1. PRACTICE GOOD FORKLIFT TECHNIQUES

Follow all standard safety procedures and verify the load is within your forklift's weight capacity to ensure safe travel.

- Spread the forks as wide as possible and center the load across the forks to minimize sagging.
- Avoid carrying materials against the very back of the lift; allow a few inches between the load and the back of the lift arms to prevent gouging the edges.
- Lift the load high enough to allow at least 2" clearance from each edge of the unit and the ground.



### 2. HANDLE WITH HELP

Loose boards are heavy and may flex more in warmer temperatures, so carrying planks by hand should be a two-person job.

### 3. HANDLE WITH CARE

Use caution when maneuvering around the yard to avoid striking the material. Move no more than 4 units of the same length at a time. If moving different lengths on the same stack, place the longest length on the bottom and work toward the shortest length at the top.