

DRIVEWAY PAVING

A beautifully paved driveway is among the first impressions people will have of your home. We go the extra step to create a lasting impression and stunning curb appeal with a two-step paving process, also known as the base coat and top coat applications. We install the base coat after we complete all the major construction within the community. This base coat will allow you to park your vehicle on a solid surface shortly after you have moved in. We then wait about one full season or even a year before installing your top coat. Why wait? Because weather fluctuations and natural earth movements can cause minor settling and cracking. By waiting, we can correct all settlement with our top coat application.

If your driveway experiences any major settlement after the base coat installation, please contact our Home Care Department and we will place compacted gravel on the irregularities to temporarily fill the voids until your top coat application.

PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE:

- **Base coat:** Do not park any vehicles on your driveway for the first 24 hours after the base coat application.
- **Top coat:** Do not park any vehicles on your driveway for 3 days following the top coat application. The top coat is a much finer and softer surface, and requires extra time to cure and harden.
- Always clean your driveway of foreign substances and chemical spills, as these agents can break down the asphalt pavement.
- When parking a motorcycle, bicycle, or trailer with a kickstand or a trailer hitch, make sure you place a flat block surface under the stand to prevent marking and indents.
- Over winter, avoid using salt as a de-icing product whenever possible. Salt can leave pit marks on your concrete and asphalt, deteriorating the surface. Instead, regularly clear your surfaces to avoid buildup and hardening, and use sand to assist with traction (which you can sweep up come spring).
- Be careful not to make any sharp turns when pulling in and out of your driveway on hot summer days. Sharp turns can often leave permanent marks in your driveway, especially after the top coat has been placed.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can I widen my driveway?

No. Your municipality has established specific guidelines for driveway width and we are obliged to build within municipal specifications. For more information on these requirements, we encourage you to contact your municipality's building department.

Can I replace my driveway with interlock, concrete or add a decorative border?

We love your passion for design! However, we strongly encourage you to wait until your home's warranty coverage has expired. Any alteration or improvements made to your home during the warranty period can place your Tarion warranty at risk, possibly reducing or even eliminating your coverage under the Tarion Warranty Guidelines.