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We offer a \$149.00 on site repair evaluation. This includes a 29 Point Inspection Report.

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Spring check list

1. Are the Gutters clean and working?
2. Is the landscaping trimmed back away from the house?
3. Are there signs of leaking around windows or doors?
4. Are there cracks or tears in the chinking or caulking?
5. Are there any new cracks in the wood that need to be sealed?
6. Are there any signs of insects or decay?
7. Do the log ends show any signs of water penetration?
8. Is the stain showing any signs of fading or darkening?
9. Is there any discoloration under the stain?
10. Are there any signs of stain peeling?

For More Information

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Ask The LogDoctors

Questions From Our Customers

Q Our Log home was built in 1995. We want to have it re-stained and would like to know which stain is best?

Thomas R. Le Grande, GA

A The LogDoctors use, primarily, film coat stain water-borne systems, and shallow penetrating oil and oil emulsions developed for the log & timber-frame industry. The LogDoctors do not recommend deep penetrating stains for log homes. No one manufacturer has the best stain. There are several excellent log stain systems out there. The important part of the last sentence is LOG stain system. There are chemical differences between stains developed for logs, and stains developed for decks and siding. What stain you put on your home, depends on the environment in which you live.

Q I want to remove the stain from my log home in order to change the

color and renew my homes appearance. How do you recommend doing this (sand blasting, cob blasting, chemical stripping)?

Lisa A. Culpeper, VA

A 95% of the time we use recycled glass beads. It leaves a nicer finish to the logs than one of its alternatives, cob. In some instances we'll use ground corn cob, but only rarely. Cob is good in tight areas that are surrounded by glass (the cob will not etch glass). We don't use cob more often because any residual media left in checks and fissures can act as a food source for fungi and mold. Also, it's kind of difficult to clean up. Any uncollected glass can be raked directly into your landscaping or lawn. You can do this with cob, but it has a tendency to linger and once again act as a food source for certain types of molds.

The hazards of chemical stripping logs first and foremost are environmental concerns. Many of the structures we work on are on

the water or near a water source such as a spring or stream. The strippers we use are environmentally friendly, but much more costly than some of their competitors that are not as "green". Always ask your applicator about the products they use if you have concerns about the environment around you.

The second concern we always have with stripping with exterior strippers is the interior of your home. The only thorough and efficient means of removing strippers from your home is with a pressure washer. Any openings, gaps or fissures that might open into the structure can become a gateway for stripping emulsions to be forced through and into your home by the pressure washer when rinsing. This will cause streaking on the interior of your logs.

