

# Epic Teak Swim Platform Refinishing

After four years, my teak swim platform was showing its age. Repeated teak oil applications would not restore the finish. I decided to use a different type of finish similar to what was applied at the factory. The first step is to remove the old finish and oxidized wood. I started by sanding the entire platform with an orbital sander and 80 grit sandpaper to remove all the gouges from wakeboard fins. I then finished with 220 grit to make it smooth. Take your time and sand in the cracks between the boards. I decided to use this product from West Marine, Woodpro Satin p/n 151949. It is 25\$/qt. One coat of this stuff and the platform looked exactly like the factory finish, it was not just teak oil.



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I decided to put three coats on in the hope that the finish will last until next year. It takes a couple of days to dry completely between coats.



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I also put three coats on the underside. Incidentally, this is not my original platform, I got a warrantee replacement when my original cracked. The original platform was heavier, the center was not recessed as shown here.

