

Pro-Tect Asphalt Ltd.

Over 26 Years of Service In Northumberland County

START YOUR OWN BUSINESS

The initial cost of a driveway sealing unit can easily be made back with your first tank full of material.

Return on average the driveway is approx. \$85.00. Average cost of materials is approx. \$15.00. Your profit approx. \$70.00

It is not unusual for part-time driveway sealers such as students or semi-retired persons to gross \$500.00 per day and more! Many persons with full time jobs earn \$20,000.00 or more per season sealing driveways and small parking lots.

For full time asphalt sealcoaters "the skies the limit".

Build yourself a high repeat high return business. Training tips, market trends and marketing advice is made available to our customers on an ongoing basis to assist you in realizing the full potential of the Asphalt Maintenance Business.

Sealcoating of residential driveways is the way most contractors get into the sealcoating business. It's also a business many contractors rely on for steady cash flow. But sealcoating residential driveways takes a little more care than sealcoating of larger pavements. Contractors need to pay special attention to neighbor's houses, patios, garages, gazebos and sun porches so they don't inadvertently get sealer on them.

Most driveway sealcoating is done by spray.
*Preparing for the job: Once you arrive at the job, follow proper surface preparation procedures, including crack repair and cleaning the surface with a blower. It's important also to make sure to prepare any oil stains to accept the sealer. If sealer is applied to untreated oil spots it will not adhere to the pavement, and it will peel up, and reduce the effectiveness of the sealcoat.

While severe oil spots should be removed and patched before sealcoating, most oil spots can be treated with an oil spot primer.

The primer seals the oil spot, enabling the sealer to stick. Let the primer dry before applying the sealcoat.

Plan out your work:

Some contractors suggest starting at the top of the driveway and working towards the street. A more efficient approach, especially if you use blocker boards, is to work up one side of the driveway starting at the street, work around the top of the driveway and back down the opposite side of the driveway to the street.

Ready to Spray:

Starting from the center of the driveway, sweep the wand toward the outside edge of the pavement.

How do you control the amount of sealer you apply?
Basically this is done through the coordinated movement of the spray wand. You will quickly learn to use different motions to adjust your spray pattern and coverage rate. But there are some tips to keep in mind. Height of the spray wand also affects the application. Raising the wand higher creates a lighter spray of sealer across a wider area. Lowering the wand has the opposite affect, narrowing the pattern and applying a thicker coat. The speed at which you sweep the wand greatly affects the amount of sealer applied as well.

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