

Why You Need To Service Your Garage Door

Although modern and high-quality garage doors shouldn't encounter many problems during usage, as with any home installation, garage doors should be serviced regularly.

At Hörmann, not only are we committed to providing our customers with the very best domestic doors, we want to ensure that we continue to be a leader in this sector offering our industry knowledge and expertise to all. In this article, we will discuss the importance of garage door maintenance and servicing, offering our best advice and tips for domestic customers.

Enhanced usage

Despite the choice of a high quality and durable door, with regular usage, garage doors need to be serviced in order to guarantee optimum operation. Domestic users with an electric automated garage door with remote control should be inspecting all parts of the installation to make certain that the door is operating to 100% of its capability.

Improved safety

A serviced garage door will operate smoothly and safely. Not only is it important to have a garage door that is efficient but more importantly it is of particular interest to families to have a safe and secure garage door. By carrying out regular maintenance on your garage door, you can be sure that anyone who operates it will be using a door that is as good as the day it was installed.

Extend the lifespan of the door

Leaving your garage door with slight niggles and operational issues can reduce the lifespan of the door. This means having to replace your garage door more regularly. By servicing your door often, you can be sure to prevent this by carrying out small maintenance checks and helping to extend the lifespan of your door by taking good care of it.

4 Things you can do to maintain your garage door

Although the best way to service your door is to have this done by a professional engineer, there are some simple things you can do on your own in addition to maintain the high quality of your garage door;

1. Carry out visual inspections of the door

This includes taking the time to look around the door, inspecting the seals, the moving parts of the door and looking out for any signs of wear and tear, damage, or rust.

2. Keep the door and the surrounding area clean and clear

A simple and easy way to care for your door is to keep it and its surroundings clean and clear. Debris and dirt can cause issues for a garage door overtime if this builds up, particularly within metal parts, like the roller tracks, where rust may begin to appear.

To be sure you are taking proper care of your garage door, we offer our Hörmann cleaning kit. This consists of all the tools and solutions you need to clean your garage door, including cleaner solution for doors, hinged doors and frames, plus oil, a sponge and microfibre cloths. To find out more about our cleaning kits, contact your local [Hörmann distributor](#).

3. Operate the door with care

Something to bear in mind when operating your garage door is to do this with care. Although the range of Hörmann garage doors has been manufactured to last, poor handling can lead to mechanical problems. When the door opens and closes, be mindful, check to make sure the entranceway is clear and the operation can be carried out smoothly without interruption.

4. Lubricate the door when required

A quick and easy step to service your door at home is to use the correct lubricant to lubricate the moving parts of the door after long periods of usage. Over time these parts of the door may become stuck or slow down due to poor maintenance. If you have noticed the door making loud banging or screeching noises during opening and closing or the door becoming stuck mid-way, these are indicators that lubrication is required.

Arranging professional door servicing

Since your garage door is a practical element of your property and one of the most commonly used entrance ways into your home, servicing and maintenance should be carried out regularly. Most manufacturers will suggest arranging a professional door service once a year. However, you may wish to do this more often if your door is operated more frequently than average.

A service must be carried out by a professional and qualified engineer who has the expertise required to spot signs of damage and fix these on site. By having a professional carry out this process annually you will help to prevent any major technical problems and avoid paying out for big garage door repair bills. Plus, you will enjoy the additional peace of mind this provides, knowing your door is taken care of.

