Ways to Protect Your Concrete Investment

- Don’t use salt or de-icing chemicals on your concrete, especially in the first year.

- Never apply deicers containing ammonium sulphate or ammonium nitrate. These products aggressively attack and deteriorate concrete surfaces.

- Wash off road salt that drips from vehicles.

- Keep concrete clean of snow, ice and leaves as much as possible (leaves can stain a concrete surface).

- Immediately clean off any fertilizers that come in contact with your concrete.

- For stain removal, use only products specifically designed for the stain in question and for use on concrete.

- Don’t drive on or place weight on your concrete until its designed strength is gained, which could range from 7 to 28 days.

- Apply a penetrating sealer after 30 days, then again as recommended by the manufacturer.