



Aqua Edge®

Developing Superior Edging Technology

For the past two years St Michel has been researching and developing the technology to take the valued qualities of melamine to the next level. St Michel Aqua Edge® is the result of this work.

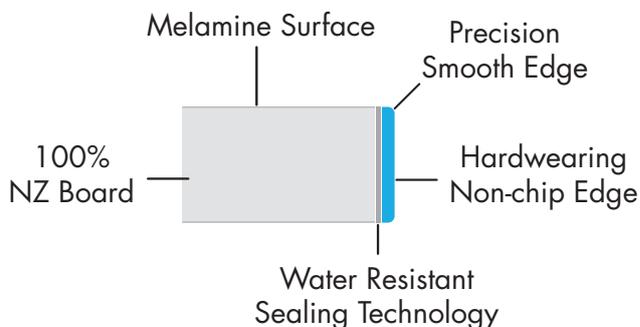
Melamine laminates have for years been the first choice material for the furniture industry worldwide. It is hard wearing, versatile and allows for the widest choice of finishes, including a wide variety of realistic woodgrains which have proven incredibly popular in New Zealand bathrooms.

But in line with our focus on leadership in our industry and on continuous improvement, we set ourselves the goal to make our products look, perform and feel simply better.

We were determined to create an edging system that gives an edge that is both more attractive and more protective.

To achieve this we invested in the highest tech and best machinery available, and then improved it further in-house. We have sourced the best performing materials and developed processes to ensure the consistent application of the edge with a focus on chip resistance, water resistance, the best possible visual and tactile experience with minimal glue lines and a precision radius edge.

The benefits of Aqua Edge®



- Proven water resistant edging.
- Extremely hardwearing and chip resistant edging.
- Developed, made and tested by St Michel for New Zealand bathrooms.
- Smoother edges that feel and look great with all finishes.
- Available with a wide choice of modern and traditional finishes.



Water Resistant

Our all new targeted aqua sealing technology creates a superior water resistant edge by protecting and sealing exposed edges that are most likely to come into contact with water- such as doors, drawers and side exterior panels.

Impact Protection

Panel edging is the most common area susceptible to chipping damage and consequently the place moisture is likely to penetrate. Aqua Edge® is highly impact resistant and will offer more water resistance than paint which is vulnerable to chipping on exposed edges.

A Beautiful Finish

Available in a choice of modern and traditional colours, Aqua Edge® will give your vanity smooth, delicate edges that look and feel great.

Aqua-Edge® Comparison Chart

Performance	Aqua Edge® (on melamine)	Melamine	*Paint	Wood Veneer
Water Resistance <small>(see note at bottom of table)</small>	High	Med	Med	Med
Scratch Resistant	High	High	Low	Low
Chip Resistant Edges <small>(bottles, jewellery etc)</small>	High	High	Low	Low

Water Resistance – note that panel edging is the most common area susceptible to chipping damage and consequently the place moisture is likely to penetrate. Superior edge protection coupled with a waterproof adhesion system provides a higher overall water resistance rating.

*Paint- refers to general paint performance. Paint systems can vary in performance depending on application and materials used. Paint is susceptible to chipping which lowers the water resistant rating.