

Problem Solving

Removal of Sealers

PROTECTING YOUR INVESTMENT: The timeless beauty and inherent durability of natural stone makes it a favorite surfacing material for designers, architects and homeowners. Because of geological composition, certain stones may require different care and maintenance techniques. To remove sealers, the following guidelines are recommended:

Purpose: To remove sealers on tile or stone surfaces.

Product Recommendation: Aqua Mix Sealer & Coating Remover.

Equipment: Scrub brush, white nylon scrub pad or scrub machine and white cotton towels or sponge.

Coverage: Approximately 75 - 200 sq. ft. (7 m² – 20 m²) per gallon (3.785 L).

Procedure:

- » Always test a small area first to ensure satisfactory results.
- » Sweep or vacuum surface.
- » Apply a liberal amount of undiluted Sealer & Coating Remover to a small, manageable area of up to 25 sq. ft. (2.5 m²).
- » Allow to dwell up to 2 hours without drying or until coating or residue softens. Reapply if necessary until sealer softens and can be removed.
- » If necessary, apply additional remover or sprinkle with hot water and agitate with a scrub brush.
- » If scrub machine is used, apply hot water to surface immediately prior to scrubbing.
- » Wipe up residue with absorbent white cotton towels or sponge.
- » Rinse thoroughly with clean water.

Considerations:

- » For difficult to remove sealers, a solution of Heavy-Duty Tile & Grout Cleaner or Stone Deep Clean mixed 1 part to 2 parts water may be applied directly to surface immediately before scrubbing with machine.
- » Do not use on synthetic agglomerate or other resinous surfaces.
- » It is important to note that the actual process of stripping may alter the appearance and texture of some soft-bodied tiles such as Tecate, Saltillo and some Terra Cotta tiles.

This recommendation is intended as a general guideline for the removal of sealers. The actual removal requirements may vary depending on the method of application, temperature and amount of sealer to be removed. Keep surface clean and dry to reduce possibility of slip-fall accidents. **READ PRODUCT DIRECTIONS THOROUGHLY PRIOR TO USE. ALWAYS TEST FIRST.**

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