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Description

Fast Drying High Quality Grout Sealer

Universeal Grout Sealer is packaged in a 600ml inverted "anyway valve" aerosol can. It is a VOC compliant, solvent based formula designed for deep penetration into grout. It protects against oil and water based stains while still allowing the surface to breathe. It is non-yellowing, long lasting and will not change the appearance or colour of the surface.

The inverted anyway valve allows for easy application onto both horizontal and vertical surfaces from a standing position. Unlike other grout sealer brands, there is no need to crouch or kneel down to apply to floor grout.

Overspray that does not penetrate the ceramic tile, porcelain, glass, stone or grout will dissipate and not leave any hard to remove residue

Field of Use

Field of Use:

For protecting absorbent, porous cement grouting especially in kitchens and sanitary areas.

Absorbent, non-glazed tiles can also be treated. For invisible protection against staining, aiding easier cleaning and maintenance.

Perfect for use on wall and floor surfaces in the kitchen and bathroom, suitable to use on table tops, window sills and other tiled and grouted areas.

Please Note:

Although the impregnation process protects against oil and water based staining. It is recommended that common household cleaners are not used in regular cleaning.

Storage

Storage:

Ideal storage is closed, dry and frost free conditions.

Shelf life 5years, opened or used containers should be used up without delay.

Safety

Safety:

No health concerns once dry. Please keep out of reach for children. Protective gloves must be worn at all times while using this product.

Packaging

600ml Aerosol cans (12 per carton)

Properties

Universeal Grout Sealer penetrates into absorbent wall and floor grout joints. This process fills the pores and capillaries of the grout with an invisible film of polymers. This process alters the surface tension, creating a repelling effect. This treatment prevents the immediate penetration of water based dirt, oil and grease. Grout Sealer also provides an effective protection against staining. Expected durability, can be up to 20 years dependant on the type of surface and use of the treated material, i.e. vertical surfaces will have extended longevity, whereas floor grout joints will wear and have variable results. It is advised to avoid common off-the-shelf household cleaning products, as these can contain harmful caustics and bleaches, which in turn will affect the performance and longevity of the Universeal Product.

For regular cleaning and maintenance, it is recommended that Universeal Easy Clean is used. For situations that more aggressive cleaning is needed, Universeal Extreme Clean is recommended.

Directions for Use

Always check the effectiveness and suitability by testing in an inconspicuous area. To apply, shake can well, point the aerosol tip towards the grout joint approximately 18-24 inches away. Apply sideways pressure to the aerosol tip with the index finger; this will release the grout sealer in an accurate spray. To ensure even distribution, spray in a sweeping motion. Ensure that any excessive surface residue that does not dry invisible within 30 minutes is removed with a damp cloth and not allowed to dry hard on the tiled surface. Highly absorbent grout surfaces, such as wide joint floor grout may need several coats to be applied to achieve the desired protective effect.

Drying Time:

Surface drying time is approximately 20-30 minutes. Treatment is cured and fully effective after 24 hours. It is advised not to cover the surface or allow any spillages on the surface area within the first 24 hours, always wipe up any spills immediately within this timing.

Please Note:

Sensitive surfaces i.e. wood, PVC, lacquered surfaces, metals, and other surfaces sensitive to solvents must be protected against over spray and splashes. If this is the case then it is advised a dust sheet or masking tape is used prior to applying Universeal Grout Sealer.

Coverage: Up to 15m² / 700 linear metres per can, this is dependant on grout joint width and porosity of surface.

It is advised to check the surface after application to ensure full effectiveness of Grout Sealer. It may be necessary to apply a second or third coat. It is very important that the Sealer penetrates into the grout joint. Do not allow the product residue to dry hard on any other surface other than the grout joint.

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Instructions

Newly installed surfaces

After grouting:

Apply a generous even coat of Universeal Grout Sealer to the grout surface area.

Allow at least 30 minutes drying time before applying a second coat.

Although Universeal Grout Sealer can be applied to damp newly installed grout, extra care must be taken when applying to the un-cured grout joints. Damage can be easily caused by scaring or scuffing the surface of the newly installed grout joints.

Where possible it is always recommended that you leave the grout at least 2 hours to dry before applying the Grout Sealer. Once 1-2 coats of Grout Sealer have been applied and 24 hours has past, a final test for stain protection can be done.

This test is what is known as a drop test, it is a very simple test. All you need to do is drop a spoonful of water on to the floor grout joint or use a spray mister on vertical surfaces. If the water does not penetrate the grout after 5-10 minutes then the grout surface is fully protected.

If the test does not show to be successful then apply further coats until desired affect.

If a grout film remover product is necessary, please note, most grout residue removers contain acid and are not suitable for use on polished marble or most other natural stone surfaces.

Universeal Grout Film Remover can be used and is safe to use on all natural stone surfaces, this product will help to remove all grout film or residues prior to applying the protective Grout Sealer.

Important Guidance

Although Grout Sealer aids protection and longevity for the grout against water and oil based staining, it will not offer any protection against any acid, caustic or bleach substances.

It is advised to avoid common off-the-shelf household cleaning products, as these can contain harmful caustics and bleaches, which in turn will affect the performance and longevity of the Universeal Product.

For regular cleaning and maintenance of the tiled areas, it is recommended that Universeal Easy Clean Ph neutral cleaner is used.

For areas that need more aggressive cleaning, Universeal Extreme Clean is recommended.

Please Note:

Universeal Grout Sealer helps to protect the grout joint from deep and surface staining. Universeal Grout Sealer penetrates into the grout joint and does leave any unsightly coating on the surface. It dries invisible and does not change the colour of the grout joint.

Please Note: Universeal Grout Sealer does not stop general grime and dirt adhering to the grout joint surface.

If a build up of general dirt has appeared on the grout surface, simple cleaning with Universeal Easy Clean will help to return the grout to its former glory.

Maintaining stone & ceramic floors

Regular maintenance

Use Universeal Easy Clean or Stone Cleaner regularly for well maintained surfaces.

Add from 1-8 caps full (20ml) to one bucket of warm clean water.

Wash floor surface with solution until clean, rinse with clean water and allow the floor to dry thoroughly.

Do not walk on the floor surface during drying time.

Other, stubborn types of dirt

Universeal Pro-Strip dissolves organic dirt such as wax, oil, grease, tar, fresh paint, sealants, care product residues, etc.

Field of Use

For removing oily and greasy dirt deposits from solvent resistant surfaces such as natural stone and grouting,

