

IceStone® MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

DRYTREAT META CRÈME Impregnating Sealer Application Instructions

SEAL FOR LIFE - green credentials

This environmentally responsible, low VOC sealer makes cleaning easier so you use less cleaning chemicals. The creation of a permanent bonding impregnating sealer which is also low VOC is a world first. Our 1 quart META CRÈME™ comes in an award winning, waste and energy minimizing, recyclable pack.

Typical Applications

META CRÈME™ is ideal for public or commercial areas - indoor / outdoor use on kitchens, bathrooms, pool surrounds, patios, countertops, floors, walls, building facades and much more.

Benefits

- Next generation technology = the ultimate penetration and lifespan.
- Retains natural color and finish of the surface.
- Super oil and water repellency for superior stain protection.
- Super penetration creates large water and oil-repelling barrier which provides protection against many serious problems other than stains, including efflorescence, picture framing, spalling and freeze-thaw damage.
- Low odor, non-drip cream. Ultra low VOC, fulfills strictest LEEDS requirements.
- Easy, one coat application. Use indoors or outdoors.
- Makes cleaning easier and keeps surface looking new for longer; controls moss and mildew growth.
- Breathable - water vapor escapes freely, helping to avoid harmful moisture buildup inside treated material.
- Treated areas are food contact safe.
- Alkali resistant - won't break down in contact with cement based materials
- Can seal hairline cracks up to 0.3 mm (0.012 in.).
- Will maintain a superior gloss level when used to treat highly polished surfaces.
- 15 YEAR PERFORMANCE WARRANTY available when applied by a Dry-Treat Accredited Applicator.

Application Rate

The total application rate is approximately one quart per 30 to 100 sq. feet depending on absorption.

How to Use

1. ALWAYS TEST PRODUCT ON A SMALL AREA FIRST and allow a 24-hour cure time to determine the ease of application and desired results.
2. Surfaces to be treated must be dry, clean and free of residues, and surface temp between 40 - 95°F.
3. Generously coat the surface with META CRÈME™ using a foam roller, brush, or similar. Avoid contact with surrounding areas.
4. Leave the product to penetrate for minimum 1 hour then thoroughly polish with a clean dry cloth(s) to remove ALL excess product.
5. Use water to clean equipment.
6. Avoid moisture contact with the surface for a minimum of 12 hours after application.

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7. Sealer will NOT prevent surface etching, scuffing or wear and may lighten or darken some surfaces temporarily, returning to the original color over time. To clean treated surfaces use a neutral pH detergent in warm water and a soft cloth or mop.

Advanced Application Hints

- For ultra deep penetration on dense surfaces, META-CRÈME™ may be left to penetrate up to 12 hours before removing excess product, provided there is no contact with liquids. Remember that once you remove the excess, at least another 12 hours cure time is required without any contact with liquids.
- The special molecules in META-CRÈME™ will continue to penetrate and bond inside the material for approx. 30 days, making the treated surface more and more oil and water-repellent.
- On very porous surfaces such as sandstone, brick, grout or concrete, there may be no excess product (residue) to polish off.
- On denser surfaces, especially highly polished surfaces there may be a fair amount of excess product left on the surface. In such cases it will save time to use a squeegee to remove the bulk of this excess, and then a cloth to thoroughly polish off the remainder.
- Apply the product evenly. The more porous the surface, the more META-CRÈME™ should be applied.
- On rough surfaces some globules of META-CRÈME™ may collect in gaps such as holes in rough hewn sandstone, or the grout indents between bricks. A brush should be used to spread these out.
- META-CRÈME™ darkens some material on application. This is temporary and the surface should fade to its original color within a few days.

Safety Precautions

1. Do not take internally.
2. Avoid contact with eyes and skin and avoid inhaling vapors.
3. No smoking, keep away from sources of ignition.
4. Wear latex gloves, protective clothing and safety goggles during application.
5. Keep container tightly sealed in a cool, well ventilated place.
6. Product must be used before the expiration date.

Maintenance

To maintain your IceStone countertop after sealing, we recommend Cheng's Concrete Countertop Wax. When applied to sealed IceStone, Cheng's Concrete Countertop Wax helps resist scratching while producing a deep shine.

To apply Cheng's Concrete Countertop Wax, begin with a sponge-filled terry cloth wax applicator commonly sold in auto parts stores. Dampen the applicator with clean water and wring out completely. Use the damp applicator to apply wax in circular patterns. After applying wax, immediately buff to a shine with either a lamb's wool or felt buffing wheel. If needed, use a 0000# steel wool pad to lightly buff out streaking or unevenness in the wax finish.

Daily Surface Care

Wipe up spills quickly and dry the surface. Longer exposure to spills may result in a stain. Use water and a mild cleaner with a pH between 7 and 10. IceStone highly recommends:

- Everyday dish soaps like Seventh Generation's All Purpose Cleaner
- Simple Green Stone Cleaner

Avoid cleaning products or soaps containing water soluble, inorganic, or crystallizing salts, ammonia, or acids such as Windex, Brillo, Ajax, Formula 409, or similar products.

Please see our website at www.stone-design.com for full Care and Maintenance Guidelines.

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