

### TREATMENT & MAINTENACE OF 20MM PORCELAIN

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#### INTRODUCTION PURPOSE OF THIS METHOD STATEMENT

The purpose of this Method Statement is to explain use and application methods for FILA products and the tools necessary for the best ordinary maintenance (weekly/daily) and extraordinary maintenance (periodically as needed). These instructions are for UNPOLISHED STRUCTURED/TEXTURED PORCELAIN SURFACES with a view to long-term preservation of the appearance of the material.



Exemplifying picture

# Phase 1

### Initial cleaning



<u>TO REMOVE RESIDUES OF CEMENT GROUTING</u> we recommend to use the specific acid detergent **DETERDEK PRO**, a detergent for end-of-installation washing: it removes post-application deposits, building-site dirt, limescale and rust stains. Moreover it helps to remove signs of engobing on ceramic and porcelain tiles surfaces.

**Washing after laying** is a fundamentally important step for the removal of generic jobsite and laying residues and then any subsequent treatment. For this operation Fila suggests:

**Product** 

DETERDEK PRO

Equipment

 Single-disc machine with green pad; large brush/hand Scotch-Brite sponge, floor cloth or mop

Coverage

1 L for 40 m<sup>2</sup> if diluted 1:5

Procedure

Wet the surface well with water before washing. Then use **DETERDEK PRO** diluted at a ratio of 1:5 or 1:10 (1 liter of product in 5 or 10 liters of water). Apply the solution a few square meters at a time, then add, allow contact time of 5 minutes, then work with a single disc machine fitted with green pad or large brush. Remove all residues using a clean cloth or liquid vacuum and rinse thoroughly with plenty of clean water. Should any stubborn dirt remain, repeat the wash.







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**TO REMOVE RESIDUES OF EPOXY GROUTING** FILA recommends the use of the specific alkaline detergent **CR10**.

**CR10** is a high viscosity liquid detergent for cleaning epoxy grout residues, stains and streaks from wall and floor surfaces. Ideal for non-absorbent materials such as porcelain tiles, glazed ceramic and glass mosaics.

Product

CR10

Equipment

 Single-disc machine with green pad; large brush/hand Scotch-Brite sponge or even a spatula, floor cloth or mop

Coverage

Up to 10 m2 / 1 L undiluted

Procedure

Before cleaning with Fila **CR10** wait until the grouting product applied is ready for use, closely following the instructions given below. Apply directly to the surface to be cleaned using a large flat paintbrush, perfectly covering all residues of plaster. Leave for about 30 minutes. Rub with an abrasive sponge or even a spatula to remove larger residues. A single-disc machine fitted with a green pad can be used for floors. Rinse thoroughly. For more stubborn residues, repeat the same procedure, leaving the product to work for longer.

# Phase 2

#### Protection



**Protection of the whole surface (tiles + grout joints): STOPDIRT** is a waterproof and anti-stain product making ordinary maintenance quicker and easier. It is a solvent-based protective barrier against dirt. It protects the floor without forming a surface film improving the material's resistance to dirt.

**Product** 

STOP DIRT

**Equipment** 

a brush or fleece pad, clean dry lint free cotton cloth, white disc for single-disc machine.

Coverage

1 liter/up to 70 m²

**Procedure** 

Apply the product to a clean and dry floor also treating the grout, covering evenly with a fleece or other suitable applicator. Given the product's high coverage, apply a moderate quantity of product to treat 2-3 m2 of surface area at a time. Rub the surface with a cloth or floor single-disc machine with white disc. Fully remove any residues within 10 minutes, either manually using a microfiber cloth or with a single-disc machine.







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An alternative protection, only for grout joints, is assured by the product FUGAPROOF. FUGAPROOD protects and sanitizes grouting, facilitates dirt removal and routine cleaning and prevents water and stains from being absorbed into the grout joints.

**Product** 

FUGAPROOF

Equipment

Cloth

Coverage

With 750 ml of product: up to 850 linear metres

**Procedure** 

No dilution required: The product is ready to use. When the surface is clean and dry, spray **FUGAPROOF** directly onto the grouting and dry any excess product using a cloth. The surface can be walked on after 4 hours

# Phase 3

## Ordinary maintenance



**CLEANER PRO** is a neutral concentrated detergent that can be used for ordinary cleaning. It cleans the surfaces protecting them against opacifying layers generally created other detergents, preserving the original appearance of the surface over time. Highly concentrated, can be used at various dilutions. It can be used with scrubber dryer machines at 1:200

**Product** 

CLEANER PRO

**Equipment** 

Cloth, mop, single-disc machine with red pad

Coverage

1 liter/1500 m<sup>2</sup> - diluted 1:200/ 25 ml in 5 liters of water

**Procedure** 

• For routine care simply wipe or mop over the surface with diluted **CLEANER PRO**. When highly diluted (1:200) it does not require rinsing. With this dilution it can be used with a single-disc machine or scrubber-drier machine with red pad for large areas or mop.







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# Phase 4

### **Extraordinary maintenance**



#### **FOR EXTRAORDINARY MAINTENANCE OF HEAVILY SOILED SURFACES:**

dilute CLEANER PRO from 1:30 to 1:50 depending on dirt intensity.

**Product** 

CLEANER PRO

Equipment

Cloth, mop, single-disc machine with red pad

Coverage

1 liter/30 m<sup>2</sup> - diluted 1:30

**Procedure** 

• For an extraordinary maintenance dilute **CLEANER PRO** 1:30, spread it over the floor and leave to act for 5 minutes. Work with a single-disc machine or scrubber-drier machine with red pad for large area or mop. Remove all the residues with a liquid vacuum or cloth and rinse thoroughly with plenty of clean water.



#### TO REMOVE STUBBORN STAINS FROM THE SURFACE we recommend to use PS87 PRO.

PS87 PRO is an alkaline detergent. It cleans and removes grease from dirty floors in porcelain tiles.

When undiluted, it removes stubborn stains from porcelain floor tiles.

**Product** 

PS87 PRO

Equipment

Cloth, mop, single-disc machine with green pad

Coverage

1 liter/200 m<sup>2</sup> - diluted 1:20

Procedure

For periodic extraordinary cleaning, dilute the product, spread it over the floor and leave to act for 5 minutes, work with single-disc professional cleaner with a green pad. Use a liquid vacuum or cloth to remove residues and then rinse thoroughly with clean water. And then revert to Ordinary Maintenance.



