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## **THE GROUT COATING SYSTEM™**

- 1. IMPORTANT CONCEPTS** for all contractors and property owners
- 2. COST ESTIMATES** for the sq. ft. coverage of all proprietary products:
  - GROUT COATING
  - SUPER BOND & CLEAN™
  - SKID SAFE Water Based Sealer/Finish
  - ND AGGREGATE™

### **1. IMPORTANT CONCEPTS**

The actual amount of our products needed to strip, grout coat, etch, and seal/finish ceramic tile floors/walls is best determined by using our products on the site. The following are estimates based upon a variety of conditions which vary between removing hard old seals/finishes/soils, and the varying porosity of grout lines-their depth and width, and the condition of the tiles.

Our installed Grout Coating-any color-will not change in appearance over many years. It will eliminate all of the common problems of discolored grout lines. It protects the grout lines from deep below the surface. SKID SAFE Water Based Sealer/Finish protects the Grout Coating and provides unusually high slip resistance to all floor tiles and floor materials (ASTM C 1028, COF: .81 DRY, COF: .77 WET). Installations over 8 years old exhibit the original color of the installed Grout Coating!

Used dull tiles and ugly discolored grout lines are transformed into bright glossy tiles and gorgeous looking grout lines with our GROUT COATING SYSTEM™.

New tiles and grout lines and existing tiles/grout lines can now keep an uniform appearance, and they can stay protected from all well known discolorations and stains. It is no longer necessary to use costly methods to keep the grout lines clean and in good condition.

Change your grout color for a better appearance! If you like your grout line appearance as it is now, seal the tiles and grout lines with our SKID SAFE Water Based Sealer/Finish to protect the grout lines, improve the appearance, and add high slip resistance to the floor tiles for many years. With proper use of the GROUT COATING SYSTEM™ there is no need to clean grout lines again.

SKID SAFE Water Based Sealer/Finish eliminates the very high USE COSTS associated with other sealers/finishes that require regular stripping. SKID SAFE does not require stripping! All maintenance costs produce a USE COST for a sealer/finish which

dramatically raises the cost of using that product. For example, over a 5 year timeframe, a floor area requiring one gallon of a sealer/finish at the initial installation and subsequently stripped and re-applied twice a year will actually require 10 gallons of that sealer/finish plus the labor maintenance and stripper product costs. This can produce a USE COST of that sealer/finish to actually be hundreds - thousands of dollars for that single area!

SKID SAFE can be cleaned with just plain water in most instances. Heavy soils can be removed with a neutral cleaner.

SKID SAFE can beautify and protect concrete, marble, terrazzo, limestone, brick, granite, slate, stucco, vinyl, plastics, metals, paints, and many other materials as noted in our Product Data. Architects can specify the use of our GROUT COATING SYSTEM™ for new tiles to make the grout color brilliant looking while saving the property owner substantial maintenance costs.

The GROUT COATING SYSTEM™ can be used on all quarry tiles - without our unique etcher- SUPER BOND & CLEAN™. Our GROUT COATING can be applied directly into wide grout lines and sealed with SKID SAFE, too.

It is very important to remove old seals/waxes/finishes/soils from the grout lines. Even brand new grout lines/tiles need to be cleaned. The reason is to open the pores of each grout line so that GROUT COATING can penetrate deep within each grout line. Not doing so will make our Grout coating look “runny and cracked” after it has dried in each grout line. Our BIG BEAR Industrial Stripper will thoroughly strip and clean grout lines.

Our SUPER BOND & CLEAN™ with its unique chemical technology permanently eliminates all adhesion problems for any sealer/finish on ceramic tile and on concrete. It will also brilliantly degrease and clean tiles and concrete quickly and easily. It offers many advantages over muriatic acid and shot blasting for concrete. SUPER BOND & CLEAN™ has only very slight dull odor when in use. It insures that our SKID SAFE will not peel up on ceramic tile flooring.

ND AGGREGATE™ with our SKID SAFE Water Based Sealer and Finish creates non slip floor finish that can reduce slip and fall hazards on ceramic tiles, and other flooring surfaces. If you are looking for non slip flooring with high chemical resistance you do not need to look any further.

Our GROUT COATING SYSTEM™ offers a new and unique method to dramatically lower the costs of keeping new and used tile walls/floors looking excellent - all of the time!

## **2. COST ESTIMATES FOR ALL 3 PRODUCTS**

### **GROUT COATING - (any color):**

The approximate spread rate is 87 sq.ft. per 16 oz container. The approximate use cost per sq.ft. ranges between 41 cents - 45 cents based on quantity purchased.

## **SUPER BOND & CLEAN™:**

The approximate spread rate is 400 sq.ft. per gallon depending on the porosity of the substrate. The use cost per sq.ft ranges between 19 cents – 23 cents based on quantity purchased.

## **SKID SAFE Water Based Sealer/Finish:**

GROUT COATING SYSTEM™ requires 4 coats of SKID SAFE. The approximate spread rate for all 4 applied coats to ceramic tile floors is about 638 sq.ft. per gallon. The porosity and depth of the grout lines and the condition of the tiles will affect the spread rate. The initial application cost per sq.ft. ranges between 18 cents - 35 cents based on quantity purchased.

NO SLIP GROUT COATING SYSTEM™ requires 6 coats of SKID SAFE. The approximate spread rate for all 6 applied coats to ceramic tile floors is about 448 sq.ft. per gallon. The porosity and depth of the grout lines and the condition of the tiles will affect the spread rate. The initial application cost per sq.ft. ranges between 25 cents - 49 cents based on quantity purchased.

## **ND AGGREGATE™**

The approximate spread rate is about 160 sq.ft. per 16 oz of ND AGGREGATE™. The approximate use cost per sq.ft. ranges between 5 cents - 12 cents based on quantity purchased.

## **COST ESTIMATE FOR ALL 3 PRODUCTS FOR GROUT COATING SYSTEM:**

The approximate cost for using all 3 products is between \$0.78 - \$1.03 per sq.ft. based on quantity purchased.

## **COST ESTIMATE FOR ALL 4 PRODUCTS FOR NO SLIP GROUT COATING**

**SYSTEM:** The approximate cost for using all 3 products is between \$0.90 - \$1.29 per sq.ft. based on quantity purchased.

Our GROUT COATING SYSTEM™ is guaranteed to perform for 5 years when properly applied and maintained according to our directions.