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## **BEFORE YOU START**

- 1- Wait a minimum of 12 hours before applying the sealer on the MicroConcrete surface.
- 2- If necessary, sand the surface of MicroConcrete with 120 / 150 grit or remove roughness with a trowel.
- 3- Clean the MicroConcrete surface with a vacuum cleaner.
- 4- Remove the masking tape (that you applied before the layer of MicroBéton) and apply a new masking tape to protect the adjacent surfaces.

#### STEP FOR THE MICROCONCRETE MATTE LOOK SEALER

- 1- Stir the MicroConcrete sealer and let it rest for 5 to 10 minutes.
- 2- Pour in a paint tray.
- 3- Apply with a brush or roller or **Finitec applicator**, a thin coat making sure to saturate the surface with MicroConcrete.
- 4- If a second coat is needed, it must be applied immediately, before the first coat dries (wet-on-wet application).

A maximum of two coats can be applied, depending on the porosity of the surface. Do not apply additional coats if the surface is already saturated.

SURFACES	COATS NUMBER
Decorative wall	1*
Counter, furniture, table, floors	1*
Outside	1 to 2

<sup>\*</sup> Depending on the porosity of the MicroConcrete, a second coat may be necessary.

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# STEP FOR THE MICROCONCRETE WET LOOK SEALER

- 1- Stir the MicroConcrete sealer and let it rest for 5 to 10 minutes.
- 2- Pour in a paint tray.
- 3- Apply with a brush or roller or Finitec applicator, a thin coat making sure to saturate the surface with MicroConcrete.
- 4- Wait 2 hours before applying a second coat, make sure it is dry to the touch. If necessary, you can sand the surface with 180 or 220 grit paper between coats.

SURFACES	COATS NUMBER
Decorative wall	1 to 2
Counter, furniture, table, floors	2 to 3
Showers	4

#### DO NOT EXCEED 12 HOURS BETWEEN COATS.

It is normal for the applicator or roller to become saturated with MicroConcrete dust after some time. Change applicators or rollers or clean them.

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# FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SEALER OUTDOORS

# A. Steps for applying the MicroConcrete matte finish sealer

1. Apply using a brush, roller, or the Finitec Applicator, until saturation. If a second coat is needed, it must be applied immediately, before the first coat dries (wet-on-wet application). A maximum of two coats can be applied, depending on the porosity of the surface. Do not apply additional coats if the surface is already saturated.

The matte finish sealer is a penetrating sealer. It protects from within the MicroConcrete. Once the MicroConcrete is saturated, the sealer will no longer penetrate. Any excess sealer will remain on the surface and can leave marks easily. If necessary, remove excess sealer with a dry cloth. The matte finish sealer will wear off over time; when water starts to leave marks on the surface and no longer beads up, another coat of sealer should be applied.

# B. Steps for applying the MicroConcrete wet-look sealer

1. Apply 2 to 4 coats of wet-look sealer with a roller, brush, or Finitec applicator. Wait 1 to 2 hours between coats. \*However, do not exceed 12 hours between sealer coats.

The wet-look sealer will become shinier with each coat. Apply 2 coats for a satin finish, 3 coats for a semi-gloss finish, and 4 coats for a wet-look finish.

\*Both matte and wet-look sealers are water-based and become water-repellent after 12 hours. If you apply the sealer on top of itself after 12 hours, the water-repellent property will cause the water in the sealer to bead up. Matte and wet-look sealers do not mix together and should not be applied over each other.

# **Sealer outdoor - precautions/restrictions**

- Apply at a temperature between 10°C and 30°C.
- Ensure no rain occurs for 72 hours after application.
- If the sealer is applied at temperatures above 30°C, the water may evaporate before the sealer penetrates the MicroConcrete, preventing it from bonding and reacting chemically for proper protection.
- If the sealer is applied at temperatures below 10°C, the water may take too long to evaporate, hindering the chemical bonding.
- Sealers should not be applied on a damp surface, as this may cause whitish spots to appear.

For more information, refer to the technical sheet.



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## **MAINTENANCE**

- Before the first wet cleaning, the MicroConcrete sealer needs at least 7 days to reach its complete maturation. Use Finitec cleaning products.
- Wait 7 days before using the shower.
- During the next 7 days, make sure no water is left on the surface.

#### **DRYING TIME**

Touch: between 1 and 3 hours

Recoat: 2 hours
Circulation: 12 hours

# SHELFLIFE

At least 12 months when stored in its original container. Store between 15 and 30°C (60 and 86°F).

# RESPONSIBILITY

It is the user's responsibility to read the instructions before using the product. Consult our website at www.finitec-inc.com or call our Customer Service Department at 1-888-838-4449 for more information.

## **WARRANTY**

Finitec Hardwood Products Inc. certifies that the product is free from manufacturing defect. The user assumes all responsability for use in accordance with instructions of this label. Manufacturer's responsibility is limited to replacement of the product.

# **FIRST AID**

In case of eye or skin contact, rinse well with water for 15 minutes. In case of inhalation, allow the victim to rest in a well-ventilated area. If swallowed, seek medical attention. Do not induce vomiting. Have conscious person drink several glasses of water.