

# Cleaning - Protecting - Maintaining **Terrazzo** honed, polished -indoors-

Terrazzo is a concrete stone that is most commonly poured on site. There are, however, also Terrazzo tiles. The base material concrete is mixed with bits of natural stone whose type, colour and size determine the appearance of the surface. Choosing the right care system from the beginning will maintain the surface's appearance for many years.

## Overview of the 3 Steps for more detailed instructions, please refer to Page 2



## Initial cleaning of newly installed surfaces

Lithofin MN Power-Clean removes stubborn dirt, greasy residues and many other types of dirt.



Coverage: 1Ltr./100 m<sup>2</sup>



Dilute product 1:10 with water.



Wipe or brush the surface with solution and allow to work for 10 minutes.



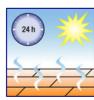
Rinse well with clear water.



Do <u>not</u> use acidic cleaners.



Soak any grout residues with undiluted product and scrub with a white nylon pad.



Allow the surface to dry.

Necessary equipment: bucket, broom, white nylon pad with scrubber and wet-and-dry vacuum

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# Protecting against stains

Lithofin MN Stain-Stop -invisible- protects against oil and water and simplifies maintenance.



Coverage: 1Ltr./15m<sup>2</sup>



Please note.



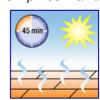
Pour product in a basin or bucket.



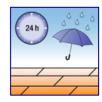
Evenly apply with a lamb's wool applicator. Repeat in 10 minutes.



Remove <u>all</u> excess product with a squeegee and a clean dry towel.



Allow to dry.Do not walk on surface for approx. 45 minutes.



Protect from water for 24 hours

Necessary equipment: bucket, lamb's wool applicator, squeegee, towel



# Regular maintenance

Lithofin MN Easy-Care maintains terrazzo surfaces.



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Add one squirt (20ml) to one bucket of water.



Wipe surface with solution. Do not rinse.



Allow to dry. Do not walk on surface during drying time.

Necessary equipment: bucket, micro-fibre mop

Please follow the detailed instructions on the product labels.

#### **Newly installed surfaces**

In case of Terrazzo tiles, before grouting: thinly apply Lithofin MN Stain-Stop to the dry surface before grouting. This treatment will simplify removing excess grouting material because the surface will be water repellent.

### 1 Cleaning and refurbishing used or extremely dirty surfaces

- Before treating used surfaces, the stone must be thoroughly cleaned. All deposits and care product residues
  must be removed from the surface and from the pores.
- → Depending on the degree of dirt, dilute Lithofin MN Power-Clean up to 1:5 with water. Apply with a scrubber or cloth and allow to work for 5 to 10 minutes.
- → Brush well (with a broom or scrubbing machine) and wait another 5 minutes.
- → Add clear water and scrub again. Remove from the surface with a mop or a wet-and-dry vacuum.
- → Rinse with clear water in order to remove all dirt and product residues.
- Other, stubborn types of dirt: please refer to the table below.
- ◆ Allow the surface to dry for several days before applying the protective treatment

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stubborn dirt, care product residues	Lithofin MN Power-Clean
tar, wax, varnish, fresh paint, oil and grese residues	Lithofin WAX-OFF (check suitability before use)
deeply engrained oil stains	Lithofin OIL-EX
rust stains	Lithofin Rust-EX
calcium deposits	Lithofin MN Power-Clean and white nylon pad

## 2 Additional information about protective treatments

- ◆ Impregnators such as Lithofin MN Stain-Stop render the surface water and oil repellent.
- ◆ This protective effect reduces staining and facilitates every-day maintenance.
- ◆ Lithofin MN Stain-Stop provides optimal protection with only minimal alterations to the surface appearance.
- ◆ There are no health concerns once the product has dried.
- We recommend touching up the protective treatment after 7 to 10 years.

#### Please note:

- ◆ Always test the product in an inconspicuous area. Non-absorbent or wet surfaces cannot be treated.
- Use impregnators only on completely dry surfaces. Otherwise, the product will not be able to penetrate into the surface.
- Do not allow the product to dry on the surface. Carefully remove all excess residues. In case the product is starting to dry: redissolve with Lithofin MN Stain-Stop and rub off with clean dry towel.
- ◆ Some stones may slightly darken. Impregnators don't protect against acidic, corrosive or abrasive products.

#### 3 Additional care for more shine

**Lithofin MN Polish (liquid-wax)** (for polished floors – not suitable for bathroom floors or wet areas)

Occasional touching up results in additional protection and shine. Matt and dull spots become less visible with time. This product must be used with a floor polishing machine.

#### **Please Note:**

 $\triangle$  Please follow the detailed instructions on the product labels.

△ Terrazzo is attacked by acidic substances. Avoid contact with vinegar, lemon juice, wine, acidic cleaners, etc.

△ Do not use abrasive materials. Scouring pads and powders will produce scratches and dull spots.

**TIP:** Avoid leaching and strong degreasing products as well as products that build up layers. These products alter the appearance and make maintenance more difficult.

 $\Delta$  This information should be considered to be informal and non-binding. The products must be used according to local conditions and materials. Instructions must be read carefully and followed closely. Always test the product in an inconspicuous area. (AUS/NZ3.17gps)

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