

Cleaning - Protecting - Maintaining Limestone honed – indoors -

Limestone comes in a variety of properties (density, porosity, etc.) because of differences in regional origin. One commonality of all limestone, other than the unique natural stone appearance, is the need for an effective protective treatment. These treatments embellish the stone, guarantee optimal properties and ensure the longevity of the natural stone.

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

1

Before grouting: impregnating the stone will facilitate removing excess grouting material. Initial cleaning of newly installed surfaces

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



Coverage:
1Ltr./50 m²



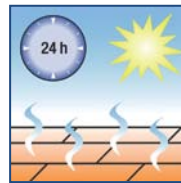
Dilute product 1:10 with water.



Rigorously brush the wet floor, then wipe off the surface.



Rinse well with plenty of clear water.



Allow the surface to dry.

Please Note: on rough surfaces, cement residues can be removed with Lithofin MN Builders' Clean (diluted min. 1:15). Please test in an inconspicuous area. This product is not suited for polished materials.

Necessary equipment: bucket, mop and scrubbing brush, squeegee or wet-and-dry vacuum

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Protecting against stains *initial cleaning of used surfaces: Page 2*

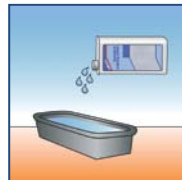
Lithofin MN Stain-Stop >ECO< protects against oil and water and simplifies maintenance.



Coverage:
1Ltr./20m²



Please note.



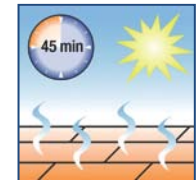
Pour product in a basin or bucket.



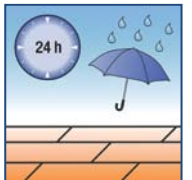
Evenly apply with a lambswool applicator or micro-fibre mop. Repeat in 10 minutes.



Remove all excess product with a squeegee and clean dry cloth.



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



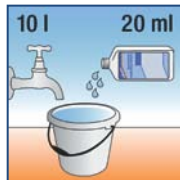
Protect from water and don't cover for 24 hours.

Necessary equipment: bucket or basin, lambswool applicator or micro-fibre mop, squeegee and cloth.

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Regular maintenance *additional information: Page 2*

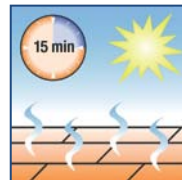
Use Lithofin MN Easy-Care regularly for well maintained surfaces.



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



Wipe surface with solution and micro-fibre mop. Do not rinse.



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

Please Note: In case of stubborn dirt deposits use Lithofin MN Power-Clean.

Necessary Equipment: bucket, micro-fibre mop

Please follow the detailed instructions on the product label.

Newly installed surfaces

Before grouting: thinly apply Lithofin MN Stain-Stop >ECO< to the dry surface and allow to dry for approx. 6 hours. This pre-treatment will render the surface water repellent and facilitate removing excess grouting material.

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.
- Dilute Lithofin MN Power-Clean up to 1:15 with water, generously apply with a scrubbing brush or broom and allow the solution to work for 5 to 10 minutes.
- Scrub well with either a scrubbing brush or machine and wait 5 more minutes.
- Add water while brushing, then remove solution by wiping or wet-vacuuming.
- Rinse well with clear water until all product residues are gone from the surface.
- ◆ Allow the surface to dry for several days before applying the protective treatment.

Other, stubborn types of dirt

oil films, stubborn dirt, care product residues	Lithofin MN Power-Clean
tar, wax, sealer, varnish, sealants, fresh paint	Lithofin WAX-OFF
deeply engrained oil stains	Lithofin OIL-EX
calcium deposits	Lithofin MN Power-Clean and a white pad
rust	Lithofin Rust-Ex

2a Additional information about protective treatments

- ◆ Treating the surface with Lithofin MN Stain-Stop (solvent based, very good oil and water repellent) or Lithofin MN Stain-Stop >W< (water based, excellent oil and good water repellent) protects natural stone.
- ◆ Lithofin impregnators achieve the best possible protection without altering the surface appearance. Formation of stains is largely prevented, the surfaces become easier to clean.
- ◆ The surface becomes much easier to maintain and remains beautiful for many years.
- ◆ There are no health concerns once the product has dried.
- ◆ We recommend repeating the treatment after 7 to 10 years. Suitable for indoor and outdoor use.

Please Note:

- ◆ **Test the product in an inconspicuous area prior to use.** Wet or non-absorbent surfaces cannot be treated.
- ◆ Impregnators can only be used on completely dry surfaces; otherwise the product will not penetrate.
- ◆ Carefully and completely remove product residues before drying. Residues cannot be removed once dry.
- ◆ Some types of stone may become slightly darker after treatment. Impregnators do not protect against acid.

Please Note:

- △ Please follow the detailed instructions on the label.
 - △ Limestone will be damaged by acidic substances. Avoid contact with vinegar, wine, lemon, acid cleaners, etc.
 - △ Do not use abrasive materials on limestone. Scouring pads and powders will leave 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.

If you require advice or are in any way unsure about these instructions, please call our **Technical Support Line at**
AUS: (03) 8552 6000 / NZ: (9) 475 0495

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 products in an inconspicuous area. (AUS/NZ11.16tj)

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