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# protective sealer

# Temporary protection prior to grouting

## **DESCRIPTION**

Water-based temporary protection for tiles prior to grouting.

#### Use for

- Temporary protective coating of most tile surfaces including ceramics, marble, mosaics, natural stone tiles, terracotta and terrazzo.
- May be used with all BAL grouting products.

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

**Composition:** Water-based polymer emulsion.

Pack size: 2.5L and 1L

(1L size exclusively available from Topps Tiles)

#### Key features:

 Protects surface against discolouration when using pigmented grouts. Sealer is removed by washing-off process after grouting.

# **USAGE & SERVICE CONDITIONS**

Walls	✓	Floor	✓
Interior	✓	Exterior	✓

#### **TILE TYPE**

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Glazed Ceramic Tiles (2)	✓
Unglazed Ceramic Tiles (2)	✓
Mosaics (2)	✓
Terrazzo (2)	$\checkmark$
Marble (2)	✓
Polished Porcelain (2)	✓
Natural Stone (1)(2)	✓
Terracotta (1)(2)	✓
Quarry Tiles (2)	✓

#### **USAGE: COVERAGE**

Product	Size	Ratio	Typical Coverage ^:
BAL PROTECTIVE SEALER	2.5L	Undiluted	25 – 37m²
BAL PROTECTIVE SEALER	1L	Undiluted	10 – 15m²

<sup>^</sup> When used with 2 coat application.

# **APPLICATION TEMPERATURE**

+5°C to +38°C

<sup>(1)</sup> Provided the surface is smooth

<sup>(2)</sup> Care must be taken NOT to get into the joints.

#### **SURFACE PREPARATION**

#### General

Ensure tile surfaces are clean, dry, sound and free from contamination.

# APPLICATION/USAGE

Do NOT use in temperatures below 5°C or in damp conditions.

#### Usage procedure

Use undiluted, before grouting begins:

- 1. Shake container well before use.
- 2. Apply BAL PROTECTIVE SEALER with clean, colour-fat lintfree cloth
- 3. Rub well into the tile surface but avoid application to ungrouted joints.
- 4. Allow 15 minutes for sealer to dry.
- 5. Apply a second coat in the same way.
- 6. Allow to dry for minimum 1 hour (depending on temperature).
- Apply BAL grout according to instruction on BAL TECHNICAL DATA SHEET.
- 8. During washing-off process, BAL PROTECTIVE SEALER will be removed. Any residual sealer can be removed with clean water after grouting has set.

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION / GOOD PRACTICE ADVICE**

For detailed information and safety guidance, please refer to Product Material Safety Data Sheet [MSDS].

#### **TECHNICAL ADVISORY SERVICE**

For free expert guidance on use of this product, or any aspect of tiling, contact the BAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY AND SPECIFICATION SERVICE on Tel: 01782 591120 or 03330 030160 or Email: info@building-adhesives.com

## **SHELF LIFE**

12 months under normal dry conditions. Protect from frost and damp.

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