



SEALING PORCELAIN TILES

First and foremost, you should ask your tile merchant whether the product you have purchased requires sealing. You then need to determine what kind of sealer is best suited to your porcelain tile. Generally, the sealing of porcelain tiles is seen as an aide to the prevention of staining. As a rule, due to the low levels of porosity found in porcelain tiles, it is generally accepted that a penetrating sealer be used for this purpose. Normally it is polished porcelain that requires sealing, as the process of polishing can cause minute surface micro pores.

Pre sealing, prior to grouting, should generally be carried out where dark coloured grout is to be used on porous tiles. This will ensure that the grout colour does not penetrate into the tile. In some instances, you may wish to pre-seal dark porcelain tiles where a light grout is to be used.

CLEANING WAX RESIDUE FROM TILES

In most circumstances polished porcelain tiles come with a protective coating which is applied during the manufacturing process. This coating is applied to the surface of the tile to protect the surface in transportation and during installation. There are various effective products on the market to clean this residue from the surface of the tile and you should always check with your merchant which product is best suited to your porcelain.