

Sealing the Surface (For Solvent Based Sealer)

Your sealer may be brushed, sprayed or rolled on. For homeowners or DIY ers I recommend a lamb's wool wax applicator, but I've included three different methods here for the acrylic sealer. **For water based sealer a roller works best.**

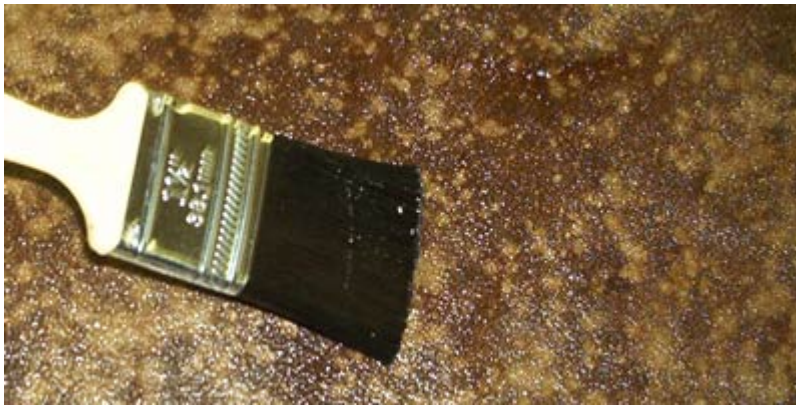
Our most recommended method for homeowners is using an oil or water based wax applicator, depending on the type of sealer you are using, for perhaps the smoothest, easiest method of applying the finish. Applying the sealer in two or three even, thin coats with this method is very, very reliable for achieving a high quality trouble free application. **To avoid streaks go North to South with the first coat and East to West on the second coat.**



To spray the sealer on, use a good all season deck sealant pump sprayer. These usually come with three different nozzles. For spraying the sealer straight, use a medium sized nozzle and thoroughly coat the surface. Acrylic sealer dries very smooth and flat to the surface, so the most important aspect is complete coverage. A thick coating of sealer can sometimes take 48 hours to cure enough for foot traffic, depending on humidity, etc. You can decrease the thickness of the application and the drying time by adding no more than 25% xylene to the sealer in the sprayer. This product can be obtained at most paint stores in gallon cans.



To brush the sealer on, use a good quality brush so the bristles do not fall loose on the surface as you apply. This is recommended for very rough surfaces or touch up work. In a sprayed or rolled surface you can come across areas of a floor that are more porous and absorb sealer, causing an uneven finish. You can touch these areas up, feathering the brush strokes without brush marks, as the sealer cures to the concrete.



Rolling is a popular method for applying the sealer. Be sure to use a very short napped roller with no texture, as the texture of the roller can impress into the sealer. It is much harder to get an even, thick coating of sealer with a roller and is the method most likely to have unpredictable finish results. If applied carefully, this is the easiest of the methods.



If you have any questions please call us toll-free at (877)-255-2656.

Thanks and enjoy your beautiful concrete surface!