

How to Apply Concrete Floor Wax and Polish

DCI Acrylic Concrete Floor Wax and Polish protects floors sealed with an acrylic concrete sealer from wear and tear with little buildup. Residential and Commercial Concrete Floor Waxes are easy and quick to apply and can be used to "spot" wax in higher traffic areas without stripping. Our product does not require buffing after each application, but buffing is recommended for high-traffic floors, especially restaurants and retail businesses, after the initial application and at least 1-2 per year thereafter for best results. CONCRETE FLOOR WAX AND POLISH IS INTENDED FOR INDOOR FLOORS ONLY WITH NO EXPOSURE TO THE ELEMENTS. For example, this product should not be applied to garage floors with vehicle traffic of any kind or enclosed patios where exposure to precipitation is possible.

Note: Allow for 48-72 hours dry time for floors sealed with solvent based sealers before applying Residential or Commercial Wax.



Surface Preparation: Apply to a clean, dry floor. If using a cleanser and water solution, do NOT use harsh chemicals or dishwashing soap containing ammonia. Strong chemicals will damage the floors finish causing a spotty and/or dull appearance. Rinse the floor well with clear water and allow to dry before waxing. If the floor wax has been damaged due to flooding, chemical application, steam heat or pet urine, strip the wax from the floor before attempting to re-coat using DCI Acrylic Wax Stripper and clean using an <u>organic degreaser</u> and water solution and rinse thoroughly before proceeding.

Coverage: Covers approximately 1,000 square feet per gallon per coat. For the first application after sealing, apply 2-3 thin coats.

Application: Apply both residential and commercial waxes with a trim pad or foam mop with wringer attachment. Soak the applicator in warm water and shake or wring out excess before use. Pour wax into a paint or wallpaper tray and saturate applicator. Press out excess and push a thin milky coat onto the surface. The product will appear milky when applying but will clear as it dries. Smooth out any foaming that may appear on the surface. Allow to dry for 3-4 hours between coats. The final coat should try for 12 hours before moving furniture or heavy objects across the floor. Wash applicators with hot water



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and soap for future use. Store wax and floor polish in a temperature controlled space with lid tightly closed. An additional wax coat or spot-waxing will be needed quarterly depending on traffic and use. Not be applied to rough or heavily textured indoor concrete. High traffic residential floors, floors sealed with high gloss sealers and homes with large dogs should select the commercial floor wax. Buffing is recommended for the initial wax application but optional thereafter for residential properties.

Tips for Care and Maintenance: Place Teflon pads or felt tips under all chair and furniture legs. Plastic mats should be used under all rolling office chairs to preserve the decorative finish. Remember to avoid harsh chemical cleaners and steamers when cleaning the floor. For more on care and maintenance of decorative concrete floors, visit our <u>blog</u>.

Cold Temperature Warning: Do not apply water-based sealers when surface temperatures are below 60°F with an air temperature difference of 5 degrees or less. Central heating, radiant or convection heaters, or similar heating devices should be turned off during application. In-floor heating should be set at 60-65°F before and turned off during the application process. Do not allow to freeze.