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INFORMATION GUIDE

REFURBISHING BATHROOM TILES

Introduction

Bathroom refurbishments can be a very costly project for any home owner, particularly removal and replacement of tiles. Norglass has a system that will give your tiles new life, and refresh older bathrooms to create a newer modern finish. **Northane** is the ideal finish coat for this project, as it is chemically resistant, helping to protect from body oils and soaps, and holding up against chemical-based cleaners commonly used in bathroom areas.

Preparation

To start you will want to use a creaming cleanser such as Jif, Gumption, or similar products to remove any remaining soap or body oils from the surface. Once clean, wipe the entire surface with Norclean-Plus using a paper towel. *Note: If you have any cracks or small chips in your tiles you can fill these using Norglass NORFILL. You must allow 24hrs for Norfill to cure before you commence priming.*

Sand the tiles with 240 grit non-clogging dry sandpaper to remove the glossy finish and create a keyed surface to allow for mechanical adhesion. Wipe down the entire surface again using Norclean-Plus to eliminate any remaining contaminants prior to painting. Remove any existing hardware, including taps, towel rails, toilet roll holders etc prior to priming.

Note: The biggest issue when attempting to paint tiles is adhesion, because most tiles have a hard glossy exterior surface adhesion can be difficult to achieve. However, with proper preparation as described above, Shipshape Primer Undercoat and Northane, with their high adhesion, are the perfect choice for tile refurbishment.

Priming – SHIPSHAPE PRIMER-UNDERCOAT

You can apply Shipshape Primer Undercoat using a brush, roller or spray. If spraying an indoors area ensure you are using the appropriate safety equipment and have masked off all surfaces you are not intending to paint. Use up to 33% Northane Spraying Thinners at 50-70 PSI with a 1.4mm Nozzle. We recommend two coats. If spraying, you may use what is called a wet-on-wet technique, allowing 20 minutes for the primer to tack off, before spraying the second coat.

If using a roller we recommend a 4mm microfibre roller, for brushing use a good quality synthetic brush. When brushing or rolling allow a minimum of 16 hours at a relative 25°C (or ideally overnight) for curing between coats. Before applying the second coat, lightly sand the surface again using 240 grit sandpaper & clean using Norclean-Plus to remove any remaining contaminates.

Allow 24 hours for the final coat of Shipshape to fully cure before applying Northane finish coat.

Finish Coat – NORTHANE

Before commencing your finish coat you should again lightly sand and clean your primed tiles using Norclean-Plus. As with the Shipshape Primer Undercoat, Northane can be applied with brush, roller, or spray using the same techniques as stated above. For Northane, allow 24 hours for curing between coats if brushing or rolling. We recommend 2 finish coats of Northane.

Before applying your final coat ensure you again lightly sand using the 240-grit sandpaper & wipe down using Norclean-Plus.

Northane has a great range of colours, however Norglass can custom tint at our factory to almost any colour you choose. For more information refer to our Northane Product Data Sheet.

Note:
Norglass does not recommend painting floor tiles using this method. Paint adhesion is weaker at the edge of tiles, therefore heavy foot traffic on floors would cause the paint to peel and lift off, reducing the longevity of the coating.

