

SYNTEKO SEALER



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Synteko SEALER is a one-component sealer to be used before finishing with Synteko waterborne top finishes. SEALER can be used on most wood species as well as on untreated cork.

AREA OF USE:

For stainless steel trowel application

PRODUCT PROPERTIES:

- fast drying
- intermediate sanding not necessary
- seals the wood with very low grain raise
- reduces the risk of discoloration
- reduces the risk of side bonding
- low-odour
- user-friendly
- non-yellowing
- the product is ready to use

COVERAGE:

- 20-30 m²/L, depending on tools and wood species.

TOOLS:

- Flexible stainless steel spatula, 250-300 mm width
- Clean tools with water immediately after use.

TECHNICAL DATA:

Base material	Waterborne acrylic dispersion
Solids content	Approx. 30% (ISO 3251)
pH	Approx. 7,0
Viscosity	Approx. 120 sec. (ISO 2431)
Density	Approx. 1035 kg/m ³ (ISO 2811-1) (8,64 lb/gal US) (10,37 lb/gal UK)
Drying time at 23°C (73°F)/ 50% RH	15 to 20 min.
Storage	Store frost-free. Must be stored between +10°C (+50°F) and +30°C (+86°F)
Self life	12 months in unopened container from production date (s. package)
Package size	5L, 10L

ATTENTION!

- Waterborne floor finishes must not be covered with solventborne finishes.
- Wood that has been chemically treated or mechanically compressed can not be finished with waterborne finishes.
- Oily and resinous wood species such as teak should be coated immediately after machine sanding.
- Stained floors should not be sealed but finished directly with Synteko Star.
- Tape must not be used on waterborne finishes.
- All finishes should be shaken before use. Do this before vacuuming so that the air mixed into the finish during shaking has a few minutes to escape before use.
- Do not apply more than two coats per day (sealer and/or finish).

BEFORE USING THE FLOOR

- The floor can be used with caution 24 hours after the last coat is applied.
- Furniture can be placed after 24 hours.
- Allow the moisture to evaporate for one week before laying rugs.
- Final curing of surface after 4 weeks.
- Do not clean floor with water or detergents during the first month.
- Attach felt pads to the legs of chairs and tables in order to avoid scratching the finish.
- The surface must not be covered with non-porous protective materials.



SYNTEKO SEALER DIRECTIONS FOR USE



PREPARATION OF UNFINISHED FLOORS OR FLOORS WHERE OLD FINISH MUST BE REMOVED

SANDING

Sand floors using accepted MFMA, NWFA or NOFMA procedures (US). Machine sand the surface to remove old treatments and impurities in the wood. The first sanding is made with a coarse sandpaper and high roller pressure. Make the floor surface as even as possible. If the floor is uneven in spots, sand locally to even out these areas.

The final sanding is made with 120-150 grit sandpaper or screen, and with the lowest possible roller pressure. If roller pressure is too high, the soft springwood may be compressed. When moisture from the finish affects such softwood, it will raise the grain. When moisture from the finish affects such softwood, it will raise the grain of the floor by swelling back to its original volume.

Vacuum and tack the floor before applying Synteko Sealmaster. Do not forget to remove dust on skirtings, windowsills, radiators, etc.

DURING USE

- The finish should be at room temperature of approx. 23°C (73°F).
- Floor temperature must be between 15 and 25°C (60 to 77°F).
- Floor moisture content must be between 5 and 15%.
- Humidity must be 50 – 60 % RH.
- If possible direct sunlight should be blocked, also avoid too high or low temperature and humidity.
- The finish should be at room temperature when applied. If the finish is too cold, it flows much less freely and also releases air poorly, which can result in brush stroke marks and air bubbles remaining after drying. It takes about seven hours to warm the lacquer from 0°C to 20°C.

SEALING

Application with trowel reduces grain raising and drying time. Preferably, use a plain, stainless steel trowel. Three applications with trowel correspond to one application with roller. Do not allow puddles of finish to remain on the floor. If the sealer is poured onto the floor from the container, it must be spread as quickly as possible to prevent the wood from absorbing too much water. Any grain raise after the first coat is cut and removed by the second spatula application.

Apply the sealer in a thin, even layer using a stainless steel trowel with two sharp edges. Apply the sealer as quickly as possible. The second coat can be applied immediately after the first coat. Before applying the third coat allow the surface to dry to an even colour. Drying time is normally 10 to 15 minutes, depending on temperature and relative humidity.

Before applying Synteko waterborne top finish perform a light intermediate sanding with a used 120 grit screen or paper or a new 150 grit.

FINISHING

To obtain a perfect result, only use Synteko waterborne top finishes (please see separate Product Information).

Work gently with the applicator or roller, thus minimizing the amount of air mixed into the finish. Be careful in corners and other places where finish may be applied in increased amounts. Use a smaller brush in such areas.

If the relative humidity of the air is high and/or the temperature is low, reduce the amount of finish used. If the humidity of the air is low and/or the air temperature is high, increase the amount of finish used. Always avoid direct sunshine on the floor, which may heat the hardwood resulting in too quick drying.

When using an applicator, use the "snow plow" method in continuous, steady movements.

When the whole surface has been completed, leave doors ajar. Avoid direct air drafts over the surface of the floor. Normal airflow is sufficient for the drying of the finish.

If further coats are desired, let the finish dry for 4 to 6 hours and do the intermediate sanding, use a used 120 grit screen or paper or a new 150 grit, vacuum cleaning and apply the finish as described above. However, do not apply more than two coats per day (sealer and/or finish) in order to allow the finish to dry and cure as soon as possible.



SYNTEKO WATERBASED FINISHES CARE AND MAINTENANCE



Surfaces treated with Synteko floor finishes are easy to keep clean. Vacuum cleaning and, if necessary, mopping with a **Synteko SuperClean 1697** solution and a well wrung cloth is normally sufficient. Marks from rubber heels, shoe polish, lipstick, ink, etc. should be removed immediately with **Synteko Remover 1692** or with mineral spirits. Avoid scrubbing with coarse brush or strong detergents.

Periodic use of **Synteko Newshine 1696** in high traffic areas will help to protect the floor. Synteko Newshine 1696 can also be used to restore light scratch marks.

How do I use Super Clean 1697?

Vacuum or mop the floor to remove any dirt. Prepare Synteko SuperClean as follows:

- For normal cleaning, 1 part Synteko SuperClean to 50 parts water
- For heavy cleaning, 2–3 parts Synteko SuperClean to 50 parts water

First, pour the water into a bucket. Never pour water directly onto a wood floor. Dip a soft cloth or a sponge mop into the mixture and wring thoroughly before cleaning the floor. Synteko SuperClean is suitable for wet mops and combi-machines.

How do I use Remover 1692?

Vacuum or mop the floor to remove any dirt. Prepare Synteko Remover as follows:

- For normal cleaning, ½ - 1 part Synteko Remover to 100 parts water
- For heavy cleaning, 2–3 parts Synteko Remover to 100 parts water

Soak a cloth in the mixture; do not pour it directly onto the floor. Wet mop, let the mixture act for a few minutes and then dry mop. Further cleaning with 1 part vinegar to 9 parts water is recommended if sanding and recoating is to be done. The floor must be completely dry before screening and recoating.

How do I use Newshine 1696?

Before applying Synteko Newshine make sure that the floor is clean. Sweep, mop or vacuum the floor. Old soap, grease, polish etc. should be removed by washing with water and Synteko Remover. Apply Synteko Newshine in a thin, even layer using a damp mop or a non-flocculent cloth. Leave the floor to dry for app. 30 minutes before walking on it.

HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION

Safety data sheet available for professional user on request. Detailed information and guidance is provided in our MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet) www.synteko.com. The following only represents a selection of important information.

Note: Keep out of reach of children. Safety data sheet available for professional user on request.

Our information is based on laboratory tests and is considered a guide in connection with choice of product and working method. As your working conditions are beyond our control, we do not assume any responsibility for the results. Our responsibility covers exclusively personal injury and damage to property, which actually have been proved subsequent to faults and defects in one of the products manufactured by us.



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