Restoring Grout

One of the biggest challenges in keeping restrooms looking and smelling clean is keeping tile and grout clean. The restoration procedure below will guide you in cleaning and restoring tile and grout back to its original appearance.

Part I. Deep Clean/Strip

This process removes deeply embedded soils and any sealers that may have been applied.

2. Let the solution dwell for 5-10 minutes.
3. Scrub using a stiff brush, floor machine, autoscrubber, or Minuteman Port-A-Scrub.
4. Vacuum spent solution.

Part II. Brighten Grout

This process removes embedded stains and restores original grout color.

1. Dilute Double-O-Seven (Gallon) at 10-16 oz/gal or use MT 007 Double-O-Seven HD at 6 oz/gal. Apply with a clean mop.
2. Let the solution dwell for 5-10 minutes.
3. Scrub with a stiff brush, floor machine, or autoscrubber.
4. Pick up spent solution.
5. Rinse floor thoroughly with clean water and let dry.

Equipment Tip: Scrubbing machines equipped with cylindrical brushes are ideal for restoration and daily cleaning of grouted tile floors. The Minuteman P12 and P14 Port-A-Scrub machines are ideal for grout cleaning.

NOTE: Do not use this system on marble, granite, or slate.

Ultra Stripper is a high performance, non-corrosive and low odor stripper. It has proven itself very effective at deep cleaning dirt, grease, and any residual floor finish or sealers on ceramic tile and grout commonly found in restrooms.

Double-O-Seven contains hydrogen peroxide, which provides color-safe bleaching and deodorizing, and combines with biodegradable surfactant to provide superior cleaning. Double-O-Seven helps bring grout back to its original appearance by removing embedded stains and brightening the grout.
Sealing & Protecting Grout

Grout is a porous surface-binder often found in restrooms, kitchens, and similar areas. Due to its porosity, grout is easily penetrated by stains and odor-causing bacteria. This is why sealing grout and protecting it against these contaminants is of utmost importance.

Crete-Guard is a penetrating sealer & protectant for polished concrete and grout. When applied, Crete-Guard creates a non-film-forming seal that repels water and oils on the surface of the grout. This prevents soils and bacteria from entering the grout, and, in turn, prevents staining and odors in the grout.

Follow the procedure below to seal and protect the grout in grouted tile.

Part I. Preparation

1. If the grout is brand new, preparation is not necessary. Skip to application instructions.
2. If there is a seal on the grout or if the grout is dirty or stained, follow the restoration procedure on p. 3. This will provide a clean and bare grout surface for sealer application.

Part II. Crete-Guard Application

1. Use Crete-Guard straight; no dilution is necessary.
2. Apply Crete-Guard by pump-up sprayer or pour down. Use a squeegee to spread the product over all of the grout. Normal coverage is 1250 sq. ft./gal. CAUTION: Floor may be slippery after application of Crete-Guard until it has been rinsed.
3. Let the solution dwell for 20-30 minutes to effectively penetrate the grout.
4. Rinse the floor thoroughly with clean water and allow to air dry.
5. For standard protection, apply one coat of Crete-Guard. For heavy traffic areas or areas exposed to heavy soiling, apply two coats.

Crete-Guard

Crete-Guard is a water and oil repellant stain protectant for polished concrete and grout. Crete-Guard prevents soils and bacteria from penetrating into porous flooring surfaces, prevents stains and odors, and helps keep grout looking great and makes it easier to maintain.
Maintaining Grouted Tile

Multi-Clean offers a line of quality products to help maintain grouted tile floors. Several products are available for different situations.

For daily general purpose cleaning, use Double-O-Seven which is an environmentally friendly cleaner that combines hydrogen peroxide with biodegradable surfactants.

Dilute Double-O-Seven (Gallon) at 6 oz/gal or use 007 Double-O-Seven DC at 1 oz/gal for daily mopping of grouted tile floors.

For cleaning & disinfecting, use Millennium Q which is a hospital-grade non-acid disinfectant for use in restrooms, schools, hospitals, and many other facilities.

Dilute Millennium Q (Gallon) at 2 oz/gal or use 64 Millennium Q at 2 oz/gal for daily cleaning and disinfecting of grouted tile floors.

For cleaning and deodorizing, use Tri-Fecta which is a bio-enzymatic cleaner that cleans, deodorizes, and consumes. Tri-Fecta consumes odor-causing bacteria and leaves a long-lasting fresh scent after cleaning.

Use 18 Tri-Fecta at 2 oz/gal for daily cleaning & deodorizing of grouted tile floors.

For quarry tile floors, use Super Clean Shine. Super Clean Shine is a natural soap based cleaner that helps repels dirt and oils on quarry tile floors.

Initially, use Super Clean Shine at 8 oz/gal to establish protection. Simply damp mop the floor, do not use automatic scrubber equipment.

For routing cleaning, damp mop with Super Clean Shine at 4 oz/gal to maintain protection. No other cleaners are needed or recommended for use with Super Clean Shine.
Multi-Clean Grout & Tile Products

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Tri-Fecta is a bio-enzymatic product that effectively cleans, deodorizes, and consumes waste using natural microbes. Billions of beneficial microbes continue working after the cleaning is done to consume waste and foul odors. The long-lasting fresh fragrance leaves everything smelling fresh and clean.

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Super Clean Shine is a natural soap based cleaner designed for daily cleaning and conditioning of quarry tile floors. Using Super Clean Shine on quarry tile floors helps retain their natural color and appearance. Use with a regular mop and bucket or microfiber cleaning systems. Regular damp mopping with Super Clean Shine on quarry tile leaves an invisible protection that helps repel dirt and oily soils. No rinsing is required.