

MURALO

PAINTING TIPS

A bright, empty living room with a fireplace, two windows, and a polished wooden floor. The room is painted a light yellow color. The fireplace has a white mantel and a brick interior. The floor is made of dark wood and is highly reflective, showing a clear reflection of the ceiling lights. The walls are a light yellow color, and the baseboards are white. There are two windows with white frames, one of which is a double window. The ceiling has two recessed lights. The overall atmosphere is clean and bright.

**Put that shine
back on your floor**

A JOB THAT YOU CAN DO

that will last for years

Materials needed:

Household cleaners

Tags

Sanding machine

Sandpaper

E & J synthetic bristle 3"

or 4" brushes

Lambs-wool applicator

Ceramithane 810-28 Gloss

Ceramithane 810-29 satin or 810-27 Matte finishes

New wood floors

New wood strip floors require a sealer coat to prevent side bonding or panelization from occurring when a finish is applied to the new floor and the finish acts like glue and bonds the edges of the strips together. Then, contraction and expansion of the wood causes the wood strips to move creating cracks between the boards. Since some are glued tightly together, some of the cracks can be quite large. Sealing the wood before applying the finish coats can minimize this effect. Reduce the Ceramithane 1 parts Ceramithane to 3 parts water. Apply to the floor before any sanding has occurred. Allow to dry overnight and then sand. All of the sealer coat should be sanded from the floor. The sealer, which runs down into the cracks between the boards, will deter the side bonding and panelization.





STAINING

Apply either a water based stain or an oil based stain. Allow to dry thoroughly. Note: Unlike many water based finish coats, Ceramithane will adhere tightly to oil based stains. However, the oil based stains must be thoroughly dry. Many oil based stains will dry thoroughly in 48 hours, but not all of them will. Some require more time. The stain must be dry hard and all the solvent must be released from the wood.

Application

- 1 Using synthetic bristle brush, applicator or spray, apply a coat of **810-28 Ceramithane Gloss**. Allow to dry for one hour and sand lightly with fine sandpaper. Remove dust.
- 2 Apply a second coat of **810-28 Ceramithane Gloss** or **810-29 Ceramithane Stain** or **810-27 Ceramithane Matte Flat**. Dry for one hour.
- 3 Sand lightly with fine sandpaper. Remove dust.



IT LASTS

and lasts

Allow the finish to flow on; don't brush too much. Generally, two coats is all you need.

Allow to dry overnight before using. To achieve the highest gloss, allow to dry overnight and apply an additional coat of the gloss Ceramithane.

If you are using the matte finish or the satin finish, we suggest you put on the gloss finish first and apply the Matte Flat finish or Satin finish as the last coat only. The Matte Flat and Satin contain a small white pigment that gives them the reduced gloss. When several coats of these finishes are built up, the pigment particles exhibit themselves as a cloudy appearance over dark colored stains and a muddy





REFINISHING

Old Floors

Provides both beauty and protection

The floor must be thoroughly cleaned of all wax, grease, oil and dirt with a good household cleaner. The floors then should be sanded using 100 grit sandpaper.

Usually, you have to sand the old finish off because there are usually many scratches that go all the way to the wood.

A rental machine sander makes the job easier. Be cautious when using belt sanders as they are very aggressive. Thoroughly vacuum and remove all dust. Follow the application procedure for applying the new finish.

QUESTIONS

& Answers

What is the best way to apply water-based clear finishes to wood floors?

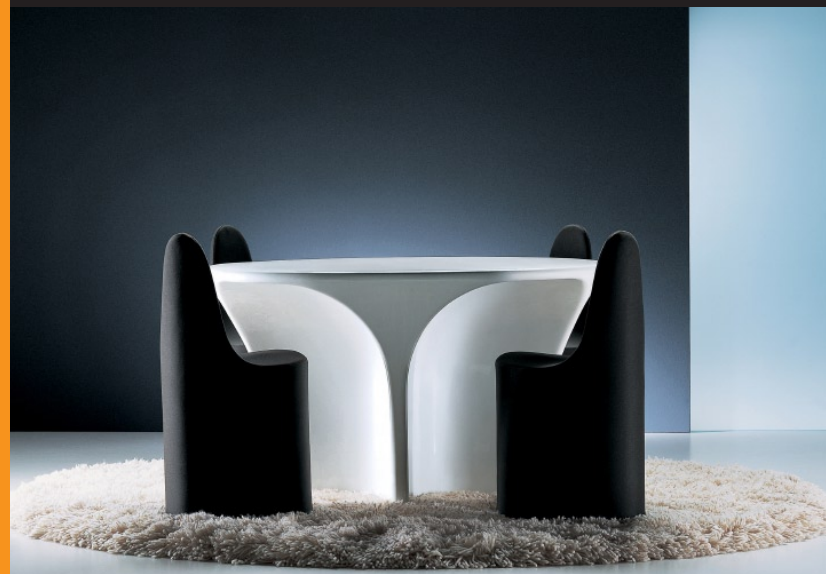
Use good synthetic-bristle brushes or a lambs-wool applicator pad. Do not use rollers because they cause many bubbles to form.

How many coats can I apply in one day?

We recommend no more than two coats in one day. Although the film may feel dry after two coats, there is still water below the surface that must come out. It is easier for the water to come out if there isn't another coat applied on top of it.



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