

HOW TO DO

Sealing in Bathrooms

When using sealants in bathrooms there is extra high demands on resistance, therefore use sealants such as Sanitary & Building Silicone 577 or Sanitary Silicone 512.

It is important to seal with sanitary silicone between ceramic tiles along the floor and in the corners, behind the sink and between the sink and the tabletop in the bathroom. The sanitary silicone can obtain the movements that may occur in the construction.

How to Perform the Work

Remove old sealant with a knife. Remove possible remains with Silicone Remover 911. Put wall string, backer rod or release tape in the bottom of the joint, so the sealant only bonds to two surfaces. Use tape on the edge of the joint. It is important to remove the tape immediately after applying of the sealant. The tape insures a sealant with a nice sharp edge. The sealant is applied by a gun. Avoid adding to much sealant to the joint. Tool the sealant with a moist sealant stick, which has been standing in Tooling Liquid 901 for 24 hours. Pull the stick over the sealant with a light hand. Make sure to dip the stick into the liquid repeatedly. Let the sealant cure for at least 24 hours before it is exposed to water or impact.



Cleaning of the Joints

Cleaning helps to keep the joints neat and clean, however, too frequent cleaning using powerful cleaning agents, will shorten its lifetime. When cleaning it is important to remove dust, algae and soap residues, otherwise there is a breeding ground for microorganisms with discoloration effect as result. As a cleaning agent, brown soap or dishwashing liquid mixed with water can be used. Cleaning is best done with a soft brush. If black or discoloured joints occur, the discoloration can be limited with a chlorine solution. At high discoloration it may be necessary to replace joints. After cleaning, always rinse with plenty amounts of water. When using cleaning products, one must always be aware of compatibility with the surrounding materials, in case of doubt, tests should be performed.



Good advice

To achieve the longest possible lifetime of the sanitary sealant the following should be met:

- The joint should not be horizontal.
- Wipe joints for water and soap residue.
- The sealant should be cleaned regularly with one of the mentioned cleaning agents.
- Make sure the room is ventilated.