



UltraCare™

Grout Refresh™



DESCRIPTION

UltraCare Grout Refresh is a nonflammable, ready-to-use, water-based, polymer-modified colorant and sealer for grout joints. It can be applied onto and bonds to cement, epoxy, urethane and acrylic grouts.

FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- Allows grout to be changed to any *UltraCare Grout Refresh* color
- Restores the look of tile grout
- Seals to protect against most common stains
- Available in all 40 of MAPEI's standard grout colors
- Easy to apply and clean
- Creates a uniform color

INDUSTRY STANDARDS AND APPROVALS

<u>LEED v3 Points Contribution</u>	<u>LEED Points</u>
MR Credit 5, Regional Materials*	Up to 2 points
IEQ Credit 4.1, Low-Emitting Materials – Adhesives & Sealants	1 point

* Using this product may help contribute to LEED certification of projects in the categories shown above. Points are awarded based on contributions of all project materials.

WHERE TO USE

- For interior/exterior use
- For revitalizing old grout joints
- For use on cement, epoxy, urethane and acrylic grouts
- For vertical and horizontal applications

LIMITATIONS

- Do not install over substrates containing asbestos.
- Do not clean with solvent-based cleaners once *UltraCare Grout Refresh* has been applied.
- Porous tile may require prior sealing with MAPEI's *UltraCare Penetrating Plus Stone, Tile and Grout Sealer* to prevent the color of *UltraCare Grout Refresh* from absorbing into the tile.
- Do not use in submerged areas, such as pools or hot tubs, or in areas subject to hydrostatic pressure.
- Grout should be cured for at least 48 hours before being treated with *UltraCare Grout Refresh*.
- Use only when the substrate and ambient temperatures are between 50°F and 95°F (10°C and 35°C).

SUITABLE SUBSTRATES

- Sanded grout joints
- Unsanded grout joints
- Epoxy grout joints
- Acrylic grout joints
- Urethane grout joints

Consult MAPEI's Technical Services Department for installation recommendations regarding substrates and conditions not listed.

SURFACE PREPARATION

- Substrate should be clean and free of dust, dirt, oil, grease, paint, curing agents, concrete sealers, loosely bonded toppings, loose particles, and any other substance that may prevent or reduce adhesion.



See MAPEI's "Surface Preparation Requirements" document in the Reference & Installation Guides section of the Tile & Stone Installations Systems page on MAPEI's Website.

MIXING

Choose all appropriate safety equipment before use. Refer to the Safety Data Sheet for details.

1. Shake well before using.
2. If two or more units of the same color are to be used, blend the liquids together to ensure color consistency.

PRODUCT APPLICATION

Read all installation instructions thoroughly before installation.

1. Deposit a fine bead of *UltraCare Grout Refresh* into the middle of the grout joint, avoiding the tile surface as much as possible. Spread evenly using a toothbrush or grout stain applicator, working the colorant into the grout joint using a back-and-forth motion to allow the colorant to penetrate the grout. Apply *UltraCare Grout Refresh* in a thin coat; if applied too thickly, the product will not bond properly.
2. If grout appearance is being changed from a dark to light color, more than 1 coat of *UltraCare Grout Refresh* may be required. Allow 1 to 2 hours between coats.
3. After the colorant has dried for 25 to 30 minutes, lightly mist the surface with water and let it stand for up to 5 minutes. If any colorant residue remains on the tile, use a wet rag or towel to clean it off after another 30 minutes, but avoid cleaning the actual grout joint.
4. If any colorant residue remains after 12 hours, remove it using a white scrubpad in a circular motion while avoiding the joints.
5. *UltraCare Grout Refresh* needs 24 hours for an initial cure, depending on the type of grout onto which the colorant is applied.
6. Clean tools with water after each use.

PROTECTION

- Protect from traffic for 2 hours.
- Protect from water for 24 hours.
- Avoid scrubbing or excessive cleaning of grout joints for 20 days to allow a full cure.

Shelf Life and Application Properties

Shelf life	3 years when stored in original, unopened packaging at 73°F (23°C)
Drying time	30 to 120 minutes
VOCs (Rule #1168 of California's SCAQMD)	21 g per L
Application temperature range	50°F to 95°F (10°C to 35°C)
Colors	Available in MAPEI's palette of 40 colors organized into 5 color collections. Refer to MAPEI's grout/caulk/colorant chart. Sample color chips are available upon request.

Protect containers from freezing in transit and storage.

Packaging

Size
Bottle: 8 U.S. oz. (237 mL)

Approximate Coverage* per 8 U.S. oz. (237 mL)

Thickness	Coverage
1/4" (6 mm)	50 to 300 sq. ft. (4,65 to 27,9 m ²)

* Coverage rate will vary based on application method, tile size, width of joint and porosity of grout.

Refer to the SDS for specific data related to health and safety as well as product handling.

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

Before using, user shall determine the suitability of the product for its intended use and user alone assumes all risks and liability whatsoever in connection therewith. **ANY CLAIM SHALL BE DEEMED WAIVED UNLESS MADE IN WRITING TO US WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS FROM DATE IT WAS, OR REASONABLY SHOULD HAVE BEEN, DISCOVERED.**

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