

## Maintenance recommendation

### Maintenance and care for OBTEGO® impregnated surfaces

#### Common

OBTEGO® is a highly effective impregnation / sealer, which prevent widely the penetration of liquids and dirt into the surface. An additional treatment with waxes, stone soaps or other cleaners with care additives are not usually necessary, because these products have a film-forming effect and build up layers on the surface. These polymer or wax layers pollute with time. Also there could be a risk that it comes to a surface like an orange peel, if a cleaning pad is incorrectly used.

OBTEGO® effects on cement bounded floors, limestone, marble, sandstone, etc., not to a permanent protection against acids; therefore not use any cleaner with a low pH value on acid-sensitive surfaces.

#### Manual cleaning

Good cleaning results are achieved with two-step wiping (2-mop system + double bucket or with special one-step cleaning process with appropriate microfiber mop and suitable detergent. For cleaning agents, suitable pH neutral cleaner, pH neutral disinfecting cleaner or mildly alkaline cleaners\* without film-forming additives (e.g. neutral cleaner OBTEGO® C-100 NC fresh apple) are used. For heavy used areas and depending on application and floor, a minimal addition of a micro wax emulsion to the water could be recommended. However, this must be matched by the building cleaning staff locally on the floor. (e.g. OBTEGO® Maintenance Care or OBTEGO® Refresher).

#### Machine cleaning

A cleaning with auto scrubber is suitable for large and free areas. Therefore should be used appropriate pads or suitable soft brushes and low-foaming detergents (see also above manual cleaning).

#### Polishing (gloss polishing)

For grinded surfaces, e.g. concrete floors, artificial stone, terrazzo, marble, lime stone and other, can be used polishing pads to obtain a uniformly dense and glossy surface. The pads are set up daily or as needed. In individual case, the application of such pads must be matched on the local floor. (Recommended pads for polishing / cleaning / maintenance: Twister pad or Yellow or Green from HTC floor systems GmbH; cleaning without chemicals.

\* Don't use strong alkaline cleaner such as floor stripper, hard surface cleaner, etc. If absolutely necessary, use only a minimal addition of such detergents. If possible don't use alkaline cleaner.

This information should only be a non-binding advice. The uses of cleaning and care products are based on local conditions and on the surface itself. If there is no experience, and in cases of doubt, we recommend to try the cleaning concept before.