

# **DIP SEALING**

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We recommend for all limestone & marble that is in regular contact with salt water, including the splash zone around all types of swimming pools, that product is dip sealed on all six sides with an approved consolidating sealer, prior to installation to achieve the best result and minimise degradation.

Recommended consolidating sealers are either:

Chemforce Fortifier Plus (<u>https://chemforce.com.au/products/fortifier-plus/</u>) Drytreat 40SK (<u>https://www.drytreat.com/sealers/residential/40sk.html</u>)

We also suggest the application of an approved penetrative sealer as well to assist in maintenance of stains once product has been laid. In some cases, we also recommend pre - sealing of pavers prior to laying and/or grouting, please contact us for more information.

Recommended penetrative sealers are either:

Chemforce Stain Protector (<u>https://chemforce.com.au/products/stain-protector/</u>) Dry Treat Stain Proof (<u>https://www.drytreat.com/sealers/residential/stain-proof.html</u>)

#### Maintenance

After product has been dip sealed and laid, we recommend the following for on-going stone maintenance:

#### Sealing

To best protect the stone, it is also recommended that re-sealing occur every 2-3 years to mitigate the water ingress of stone

#### Water Level Management

It is recommended to keep your pool water level around 10cm below the pool's coping to avoid constant submersion or constant saturating and drying.

## **Removing Debris**

If your pool is located underneath any sort of foliage that may stain the stone, ensure it is cleaned and removed before it gets a chance to stain. A quick sweep every couple of days will be sufficient along with a gentle hose down.

### pH Neutral Cleaner

Use a pH neutral cleaner for regular cleaning and maintenance of the stone. Avoid using acids or strong alkali products to clean as these will reduce the effectiveness of the sealer and may damage the stone

Recommended cleaners are either:

Stain Proof Oxy Klenza (<u>https://www.drytreat.com/cleaners/regular/hanafinn-oxy-klenza.html</u>) Chemforce Oxitec-M (<u>https://chemforce.com.au/products/oxitec-m/</u>)