

Installation and Care Guide - Fossil Medallion Series

RECOMMENDED INSTALLATION METHODS: SeaStone 1" Fossil Medallion Series products are designed for standard industry masonry installation for vertical application designs and installed in a manner similar to stone or marble, using comparable setting techniques. Latex modified adhesives and modified grouts are recommended to install our products per industry standards. Method of application will vary to suit the specific type of condition. The following guidelines are recommended in the ANSI Handbook and summarized in part below:

Layout SeaStone Medallion dry to see where placement will be made, as an accent tile which may be set flush or with bevel proud of the wall depending on which item is chosen, with or without a bevel edge. Assess all design elements. Mix setting material per manufacturer's instructions. Install product in accordance with the mortar adhesive manufacturer's instructions and following ANSI procedures. Keep the face of the stone clean at all times by sponging with "clean" potable water. Installation should be performed by experienced installers, using diamond saws, familiar with the methods and guidelines set forth by the Marble Institute of America and The American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

PRE-INSTALLATION CLEANING: Clean substrate of all residues. Sweep and wash dust, remove all oil and grease. Clean SeaStone Medallions with sponge using soap and "clean" water, both sides to remove all excess residue and/or dust. Keep the face of the stone clean at all times by sponging with "clean" water.

CLEANING: Before grouting if applicable, clean SeaStone Medallions with potable water. DO NOT USE ACID TO CLEAN SeaStone. Medallions are manufactured and pre-sealed for immediate use for vertical wall applications or for decorative use.

GROUT: We recommend that the choice of grout color be carefully selected to best complement and blend with the matrix of our product. Please note that colored grout may cause staining. Before specifying colored grouts, request a test sample to ascertain that the color pigments will not affect the natural appearance of SeaStone Medallions. Before setting grout, follow grout installation per manufacturer's instructions.

MAINTENANCE AND AFTER-CARE: SeaStone Medallions are factory sealed. Only periodic resealing may be necessary. Consult floor care product manufacturer for specific instructions and recommendations. Apply to clean and dry surfaces only. Water based sealers are recommended. General aftercare requires cleaning with a neutral cleaner that has a Ph near 7 and that is free from harmful alkali, acids, etc. A non-detergent cleaner such as Spic and Span, which does not leave a soap film, may be used. Treat stains as soon as possible.

STORAGE AND PROTECTION: SeaStone should be stored and handled in a manner to avoid chipping, breakage, staining or any other damage. Prevent damage from water or moisture by **storing in a secure dry facility**. (Protect from damage by other trades.)

INSPECTION: Please inspect SeaStone products before installation. **No claims will be allowed after the products have been installed.** Using natural aggregate can cause slight color variation in concrete and SeaStone products. This matrix variation enhances the quality and natural appearance. Please note **SeaStone** products have a light natural shade and fossil variation that enhance its quality and natural appearance. Shading, color and aggregate variation is a natural expected occurrence and is not a defect. The product is not guaranteed for evenness of color and my not be the exact shade anticipated. The shade and color may vary overtime. Exposed fossils or fossil imprints may manifest voids and on occasions hairline separations between these fossil imprints may be visible occurring on the surface of the product and along its edges. These voids and/or minor imperfections enhance the natural quality and appearance of the product and shall not be considered a defect or failure.

PRODUCT SUPPORT: SeaStone products are supported by brand name national companies. Please consult Matrix Z's technical department, or product representative for further recommendations and/or brand name products for use in the installation, cleaning and sealing of our product. Please refer to our web site www.matrix-z.com for further information. Please call or E-mail us at info@matrix-z.com for specific questions about our products.

Matrix Z is committed to ecological sustainability in all our products. These products are composed of real shell only the waste shell is used. Product shade, pattern, and color variations are inherent natural characteristics

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