

# **ARDEX GCS**Grout Colorant and Sealer

### **Grout joints like new!**

Use to refresh, repair or change grout joint color Interior and exterior use Ideal for showers and other intermittent wet areas Excellent stain resistance
Protects against mold and mildew
Tack free in 30 minutes
Can receive light traffic in 2 - 4 hours
Available in 36 ARDEX colors



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#### **Description**

ARDEX GCS™ Grout Colorant and Sealer is a high-performance, 100% acrylic colorant and sealer that provides a fresh look or a new color to existing cementitious grout joints. ARDEX GCS deeply penetrates the grout to provide lasting color and protection. When dry, the sealing properties provide stain resistance and help to protect against mold and mildew.

#### **Preparation**

The grout surfaces must be dry, solid, throughly clean and free of all sealers, dust, soap scum and any contaminant that might act as a bond breaker.

#### **Recommended Tools**

Toothbrush or stain applicator

#### **Application and Dry Time**

Shake well before using. Spread colorant evenly onto grout surface using a toothbrush or stain applicator, working it deeply into the surface using a back-and-forth motion. For best results, apply in two coats, waiting 2 - 4 hours between coats.

Sealing of porous tile may be required prior to application of grout colorant to ensure it is not absorbed into the tile. If using more than one bottle of a single color for an application, mix all material together in a larger, sealable container prior to use to ensure color consistency.

Allow the base coat to dry tack-free (after approximately 30 minutes), then begin the initial cleaning process by wiping excess ARDEX GCS from the tile surface using warm, soapy water and an ARDEX sponge or rag. The joints can receive a second coat after 2 - 4 hours (70°F). Allow the second coat to dry for 30 additional minutes before cleaning the excess ARDEX GCS from the tile using the method described above.

The installation can receive light foot traffic after 2 - 4 hours, normal foot traffic after 24 hours and heavy, commercial traffic after 72 hours. Allow the installation to dry up to 72 hours prior to subjecting the area to high humidity.

#### Warranty

ARDEX, L.P. Standard Limited Warranty applies. Failure to follow written directions will void the warranty. For complete warranty details, please contact our Customer Service Center at 888-512-7339.

#### **Notes**

FOR PROFESSIONAL USE ONLY.

Store at temperatures between 40 and 90°F (5-32°C). Do not freeze.

Shelf life is 2 years, if unopened.

Store in its original container and close cap tightly.

VOC: 129 g/L

Do not reuse container. Dispose of packaging and residue in accordance with federal, state and local waste disposal regulations. Do not flush material down drains.

ARDEX GCS is not recommended for use in submerged applications, such as fountains or pools.

When properly applied, ARDEX GCS inhibits the growth of surface mold and mildew. However, proper maintenance and cleaning are still required, as microbes can grow on other surface substances, such as soap scum, dirt and grime.

For installation, surface temperatures must be between 50 and 90°F.

#### **Precautions**

Carefully read and follow all precautions and warnings on the product label. For complete safety information, please refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) available at www.ardexamericas.com.

#### Size Available:

8 oz. (237 mL) Bottle



#### **Coverage Rates**

The coverage information provided is approximate and provided for estimating purposes only. Coverage rates will vary depending on tile size, joint size, application method and porosity.

Tile Size	Grout Joint Width		
	1/8" (3 mm)	3/16" (4.5 mm)	1/4" (6 mm)
4" x 4" (10 x 10 cm)	200 sq. ft. (18.6 m²)	95 sq. ft. (8.8 m²)	80 sq. ft. (7.4 m²)
6"x 6" (15 x 15 cm)	225 sq. ft. (20.9 m²)	110 sq. ft. (10.2 m²)	95 sq. ft. (8.8 m²)
8" x 8" (20 x 20 cm)	250 sq. ft. (23.2 m²)	125 sq. ft. (11.6 m²)	110 sq. ft. (10.2 m²)
12" x 12" (30 x 30 cm)	300 sq. ft. (27.9 m²)	145 sq. ft. (13.4 m²)	125 sq. ft. (11.6 m²)
16" x 16" (41 x 41 cm)	360 sq. ft. (33.4 m²)	175 sq. ft. (16.3 m²)	135 sq. ft. (12.5 m²)

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