# Maintenance

# **General Recommendations**

- ✓ For long-term maintenance of polished material, it is not advisable to regularly cut food or other products directly on the worktop. Use a cutting board.
- ✓ Do not place hot items (eg cast pots) directly on the counter top, always use an insulating pad or trivet.
- Use caution when using special knives and sharp objects. (steaks, grilling needles).
- Use caution when handling dishes and other metal objects, especially at the edges or corners of the counter top and sink cutout.
- Do not allow these liquids to sit for prolonged periods (coffee, tea, wine, oil, etc.), remove them as soon as possible.
- Avoid splashing the counter top with strong cleaners for toilets, ovens, grills, stainless steel and hoods. These cleaners may contain substances that cause irreversible changes in the structure and color of the material (stainless steel cleaner, hood cleaner).
- The surface of the product is not permanently resistant to strong acids and bases (hydrochloric acid, phosphoric acid, sodium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide, hydrogen peroxide) and does not even resist hydrofluoric acid for a short time. These substances can be contained in some detergents available on the market, so it is important to read the composition of the products and use only as recommended.
- TechniStone<sup>®</sup> products are designed for interiors and are not UV resistant.

For more information, please refer to the supplier of the kitchen counter top or floor tiles and the manufacturer's website at www.technistone.com, where all the documents and materials are available for our partners, including the General Business Terms and Cleaning Manual.





## **Daily Use**

For day-to-day maintenance, one of the following products can be used. These cleaning agents have a slight cleansing effect and serve primarily to degrease and remove common impurities on the kitchen counter. Always follow the manufacturer's recommendations and read the composition and use safety data sheets.

#### FOR EVERYDAY CLEANING

	COMPANY	NAME
Standard Household Cleaners for everyday cleaning	Lysol	All Purpose Cleaner
	Fantastik	All Purpose Cleaner
	Method	Glass Cleaner
	Formula 409	Multisurface Cleaner
	Mrs. Meyers Clean Day	Multisurface Everyday Cleaner
	Mr. Clean	Magic Eraser
	Pledge	Multisurface Cleaner
	Windex	Multisurface Disinfectant Cleaner
Standard Stone Cleaners for everyday cleaning	Technistone	Orange Cleaner
	Simple Green	Stone Cleaner
	Weiman	Daily Granite & Stone Cleaner & Polish

## **Special Products**

For resilient stains (i.e. oil, rust, cement, adhesives), we recommend the following products in particular. These cleaners are mostly based on moderate acids and alkalis, therefore use caution when applying, minimize action time, dilute the product, and rinse thoroughly with water after application.

Before each use of the selected detergent, we recommend that you test it on a small area. Always follow the manufacturer's recommendations, read the composition and use safety data sheets. After using detergents, the surface of the product should always be thoroughly washed with clean water.

#### FOR INTENSIVE CLEANING

STAIN	CLEANER
Hot liquids (Strong black tea, Coffee)	hot water or standard or stron- ger cleaner
Liquids (Coca cola, Olive oil, Maple syrup)	hot water
Liquids (Red wine, Oil after frying)	standard or stronger cleaner
Fruits, vegetables, jam (blueberry, cranberry, black current, beetroot)	hot water
Nutella, Mustard, Ketchup	hot water
Curry	stronger cleaner
Fix (marker), Pen (ballpoint), Ink color (stamp)	standard or stronger cleaner
Lipstick	standard cleaner

#### TYPE OF CLEANERS

TYPE	CLEANER
Hot water	Hot water (122 - 140°F)
	Simple Green - Stone Cleaner
Standard household cleaners	Weiman - Daily Granite & Stone - Cleaner & Polish
	Lysol All Purpose Cleaner
	Clorox with Bleach
Stronger cleaners*	Clorox Scentiva
	Zep - Heavy-Duty Citrus Degreaser

\*(pay attention about time of application and thorough removal - read the product instructions)



## Treatment, Sealing, Impregnation

Special products are also available on the market that, when used per the manufacturer's recommendation, will offer increased protection against staining (impregnation from wax-based products). These treatments are typically water-based and are available with and without color intensifier additives.

Always read the manufacturer's recommendations to ensure you understand their intended use and composition (dilution ratio's, safety data sheets, etc). The use of these impregnating products are especially recommended for special finishes (i.e. honed, textured, etc) and for high traffic surfaces (kitchens, bars, shops).

The impregnating product will need to be reapplied over time depending on the frequency the surface is used. Always apply the impregnator agent to a clean, dry surface using a microfiber cloth. After application, remove any excess sealing agent and buff gently with a clean microfiber cloth to remove any remaining residue. Follow manufacturer's recommendation for use immediately following the application.

#### SURFACE PROTECTION

COMPANY	NAME
Simple Green	Stone Polish
Miracle Sealants Company	511 Impregnator Sealer
Tenax	Quartz Shield
Granite Gold	Polish
Akemi	Stain Repellent Nano Efect