

**CENTRAL STATES TERRAZZO ASSOCIATION**  
**CSTA RESTORATION FOR TERRAZZO FINISH**

Suggested Specifications — Refinishing Terrazzo Floors and Bases

**1. Initial Grinding:**

- a. Grind with 24 or finer grit stone — fine mesh sand can be used if needed — all in the presence of water.
- b. Follow initial grind with 80 or finer grit stones in the presence of water, but omit sand.

**2. Grouting:**

- a. Cleanse floor with ample clean water and rinse.
- b. Remove excess rinse water and machine or hand-apply grout, using a cement/acrylic, with or without color added to match the matrix of the Terrazzo floor, taking care to fill voids.

**3. Curing Grout:**

The grout shall remain on the surface for a minimum of 72 hours.

**4. Fine Grinding:**

- a. Wash all surfaces with a neutral cleaner; follow by rinsing with clean water and allow to dry.
- b. Apply one coat of sealer, as per manufacturer's directions.

**5. Cleaning and Sealing:**

- a. Wash all surfaces with a neutral cleaner; follow by rinsing with clean water and allow to dry.
- b. Apply one coat of sealer, as per manufacturer's directions.

**6. Protection:**

Upon completion, this work shall be ready for final inspection and acceptance by the owner or his agent. The General Contractor shall protect the finished floor from all trades that will follow.

*(NOTE: All work mentioned above shall be executed with conventional terrazzo grinding equipment according to trade practice. No lighter type machines, such as floor scrubbing machines, will be accepted).*

**END**

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