## SCHÖNOX TILE SETTING SYSTEMS

| Your Healthcare Solution: Hygienic, easy to clean, durable and maintainable |





#### Healthcare

## | The best solution for every loading class! |

#### | Loading Class (Hospital)

#### None

1. Administration, offices

#### Low

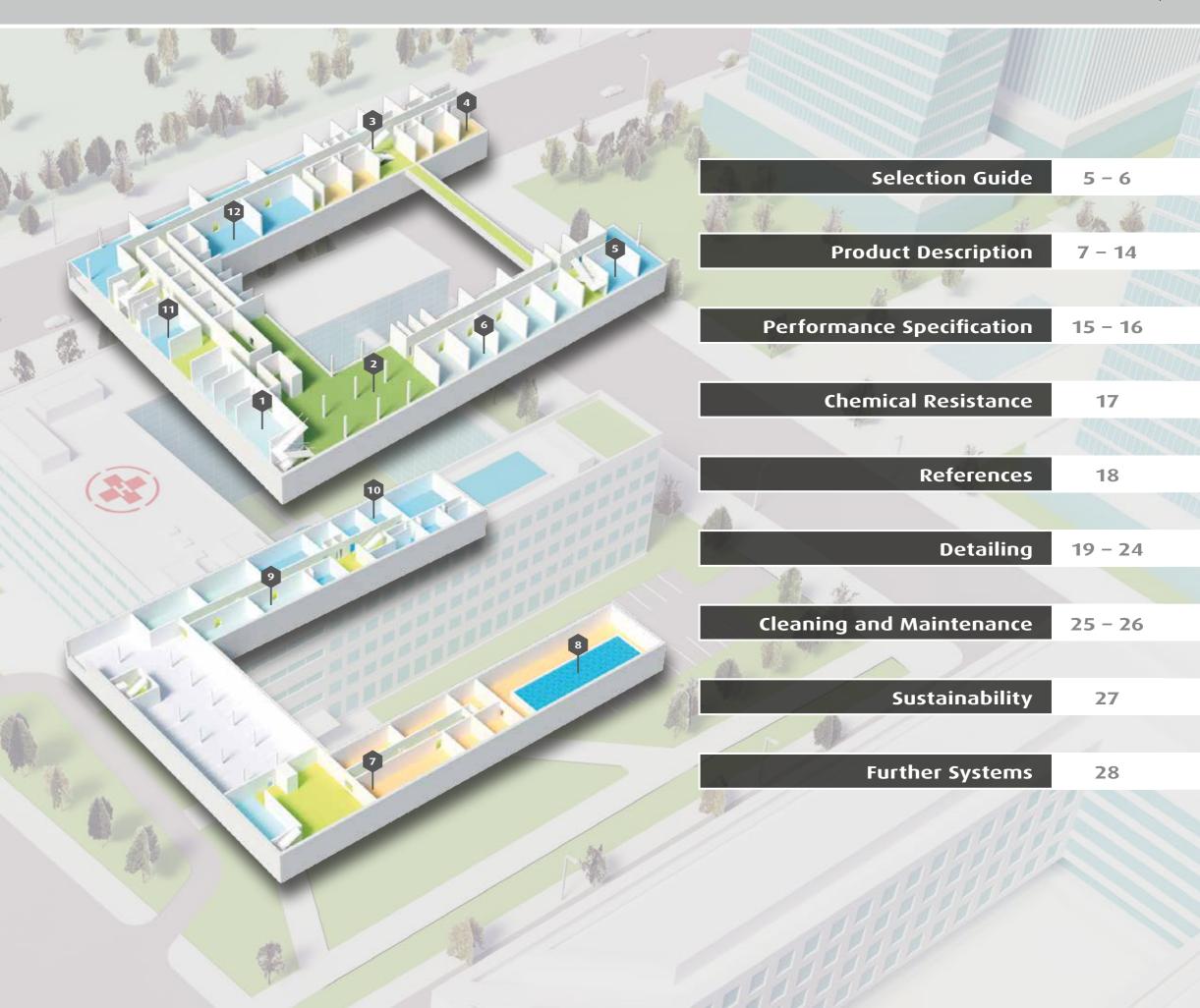
- 2. Entrance area, waiting room
- 3. Corridors, elevator, public toilets

#### Medium

- 4. Sickrooms
- 5. Laboratories
- 6. Commercial kitchen
- 7. Bathrooms and hygiene rooms
- 8. Therapeutic pool
- 9. Treatment room

#### High

10. X-ray centres11. Intensive care and infectuous disease units12. Operating rooms



#### Contents

## The best solutions for every loading class

When it comes to interior design, the activities being carried out within the room need to be considered to ensure the appropriate tiling products are specified. These can be divided into the following processes and product families.

Loading Class (refers to the healthcare activities performed in the respective area)	Typical area (example of the room)	Ceramic covering	Tile Grouts – Wall – Floor	Tile Adhesives	Membranes	Levelling Compounds – Wall – Floor
None		Stoneware tiles	SCHÖNOX® WD FLEX - Not for floors	SCHÖNOX® Q2 SCHÖNOX® Q6 SCHÖNOX® Q8		
	Administration, offices	Earthenware tiles				SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> BM 10
		Fully vitrified tiles (gres)	SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> UF PREMIUM	รรมอัNov® o.c. พ		SCHÖNOX® FPL PLUS
		Glass-Mosaic Natural stone tiles susceptible to discolouration		SCHÖNOX® Q6 W SCHÖNOX® Q9 W		
		Stoneware tiles	SCHÖNOX® WD FLEX – Not for floors	SCHÖNOX® Q2 SCHÖNOX® Q6 SCHÖNOX® Q8		6611ÄNAY® 244 40
	Waiting room/day room Corridors & Hallways	Earthenware tiles				
	Staff/locker rooms	Fully vitrified tiles (gres)			SCHÖNOX® BM 10 SCHÖNOX® FPL PLUS	
	Elevators	Glass-Mosaic	SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> UF PREMIUM	SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> Q6 W		
Low		Natural stone tiles susceptible to discolouration		SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> Q9 W		
(no real healthcare treatment offered in this area)		Stoneware tiles	SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> WD FLEX - Not for floors	SCHÖNOX® Q2 SCHÖNOX® Q6	SCHONOX <sup>®</sup> HA	SCHÖNOX® BM 10 SCHÖNOX® FPL PLUS
	Dublic tellete	Earthenware tiles				
	Public toilets	Fully vitrified tiles (gres)	SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> UF PREMIUM	Schollox qu		
		Glass-Mosaic		SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> Q6 W		
		Natural stone tiles susceptible to discolouration		SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> Q9 W		
	Sickrooms, Ward, Examination & treatment rooms Laboratories Disinfection rooms Bathrooms and Hygiene rooms	Stoneware tiles				
		Earthenware tiles	SCHÖNOX® CF DESIGN (2K-epoxy)	SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> Q6	SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> AB/WSF	SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> BM 10
Medium		Fully vitrified tiles (gres)	SCHÖNOX® XR 40	SCHÖNOX® Q8 SCHÖNOX® KR (2K-epoxy)	SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> 1K DS PREMIUM SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> 2K DS RAPID	SCHÖNOX® FPL PLUS
(regular healthcare treatment		Glass-Mosaic				
performed in this area)		Natural stone tiles susceptible to discolouration				
	Commercial Kitchens	Earthenware tiles	SCHÖNOX® CON BODEN (2K-epoxy)	SCHÖNOX® Q6 SCHÖNOX® Q8 SCHÖNOX® KR (2K-epoxy)	SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> AB/WSF	CHONOV® DM 10
		Fully vitrified tiles (gres)	SCHÖNOX® XR 40		SCHÖNOX® EA PUR (2K-polyurethan)	SCHÖNOX® BM 10 SCHÖNOX® FPL PLUS
High (advanced healthcare treatment performed in this area, specific	Operating rooms	Stoneware tiles				
	Sterile rooms	Earthenware tiles		SCHÖNOX <sup>®</sup> Q8	SCHONOX <sup>®</sup> 1K DS PREMIUM	SCHÖNOX® BM 10 SCHÖNOX® FPL PLUS
	Rooms for specific treatment (dialysis, endoscopy, etc.) Intensive care & Infectious disease units	Fully vitrified tiles (gres)	SCHÖNOX® CF DESIGN (2K-epoxy) SCHÖNOX® XR 40			
		Glass-Mosaic				
		Natural stone tiles susceptible to discolouration				

For renovation projects, please use our highly dust reduced, extremely flexible special powder adhesive SCHÖNOX® Q12.

Fore more details visit our website www.schoenox.com.

### **Product Description – SCHÖNOX Tile Adhesives**

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### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> Q6

Low dust, flexible universal powder adhesive

The perfect universal solution even for higher project requirements

- SCHÖNO
- Appr. 90 % less dust while mixing ■ EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emission, regulated
- Contains lightweight fillers
- Adjustable consistency
- Layer-thickness up to 25 mm
- Suitable with the thin-bed, mid-bed and thick-bed method on walls and floors
- Pourable application on floors

### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> Q8

Low dust, light weight powdered tile adhesive

#### Sustainability and efficiency for environmental constructions



- Appr. 90 % less dust while mixing
- Contains lightweight fillers: only 15 kg easy to carry
- EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emission, regulated
- Contains approx. 50 % sustainability raw materials
- Adjustable consistency
- Suitable with the thin-and mid-bed method on walls and floors
- Pourable application on floors

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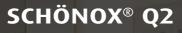


### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> KR

Epoxy-resin tile adhesive

in chemical areas





Dust reduced, normal setting flexible adhesive

#### Especially for laying fully vitrified tiles, ceramic tiles and slabs by the thin-bed and mid-bed method

- Dust reduced
- Synthetic resin-modified
- EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emission, regulated
- Suitable for application on subfloor heating systems
- Sturdy
- Long open time
- Possible to level out

## 2-component adhesive for use on ceramic tiles

- Highly loadable
- Resistant against alcalines, diluted acids and disinfecting agents
- Water resistant according EN 12004
- Resistant to saponification
- Resistant against ageing
- Solvent-free according to TRGS 610

#### **Product Description – SCHÖNOX Tile Grouts**



Pourable, flexible universal floor grouting mortar

#### Flexible grout for all kinds of tiles



- EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emission, regulated
- Water resistant
- Very high abrasion-resistance
- Water and dirt repellent
- Hardening without cracks
- Synthetic resin-modified
- Surpasses the requirement of BS 5980
- concerning infestation with micro organisms

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### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> WD FLEX

User-friendly, water repellent, flexible grouting mortar

#### For narrow joints according to DIN 18 352



- EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emission, regulated
- Water repellent (compared to standard) joint filler)
- Solid proofing (compared to standard joint filler)
- Highly fillable
- Very fine visual appearance
- Synthetic resin-modified
- Very smooth application



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chemical loading





### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> CF DESIGN

Epoxy resin colour grouting compound

#### For grouting ceramic coverings with resistant to chemical loadings and disinfecting agents



- Solvent-free according to TRGS 610
- Easier cleaning and brilliant colour due to pigment-coated fillers
- No discolouring of the grouts of ceramic tiles and mosaic
- Resistant against modern, acid detergent resistant
- Water and dirt repellent

\* List of resistance characteristics, p. 17

#### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> XR 40

Hard wearing cementitious grouting mortar

#### For grouting ceramic coverings in areas which are exposed to mechanical load, high-pressure cleaner and limited



- EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emission,
- regulated
- Water resistant
- Improved chemical resistance compared to cement joint mortars (see list of resistance characteristics)
- Heavy mechanical load
- Compact mortar structure
- Very high abrasion-resistance
- Resistant against biological waste materials (e.g. urine)

#### **Product Description – SCHÖNOX Membranes**

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### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> AB

#### Sealing and uncoupling layer

Crack-bridging sealing sheet made from a highly tear resistant polythene foil, with two-sided nonvowen, laminated for sealing in normal and highly loaded wet areas



- EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup>: very low emission
- Good crack-bridging properties
- Waterproof
- Water vapour retarding
- Good adhesion to SCHÖNOX adhesives
- Rotproof
- Fulfills the requirements of ETAG 022

## SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> 1K DS PREMIUM

Rapid setting flexible 1-component cementitious membrane

Crack-bridging, flexible membrane especially used for sealing of high loaded commercial wet areas



- EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emission, regulated Rapid hardening
- Shrinkage optimized
- Watertight
- High bonding strength
- Resistant against ageing
- Sprayable
- Fulfills CM O2 P requirements according to EN 14891













SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> HA

Ready to use, light grey waterproofing membrane

#### Fullfills the requirements of ETAG 022



- EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup>: very low emission
- Quick drying time
- Resistant against ageing
- Solvent-free according to TRGS 610
- Easy to apply
- Ready to use, one component membrane for preparing a waterproof bonded sealing under tiles in wetrooms

### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> 2K DS RAPID

Rapid setting flexible 2-component cementitious membrane

Fulfills CM 02 P requirements according to EN 14891

- EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emission, regulated
- Highly flexible
- Dust reduced
- Self cross-linking, hydraulic rapid hardening
- Resistant against ageing
- Shrinkage and consumption-optimized

### Product Description – SCHÖNOX Levelling Compounds

EC 1PLUS

EC 1

### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> BM 10

Reduced dust, fine grained levelling concrete mortar

Suitable for filling, levelling and smoothing wall and ceiling surfaces



- Appr. 90 % less dust while mixing
  EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emission, regulated
- Waterproof
- Synthetic resin-modified
- High laminated stability
- Extendable above 10 mm
- Very smooth mortar structure

### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> FPL PLUS

Self levelling compound for use from 3 to 60 mm

#### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> FPL PLUS is noted for its low shrinkage properties



- EMICODE EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emission, regulated
- Frost resistant
- Pumpable
- Ready for covering after approx. 4 hours for ceramic tiles on concrete floors and cement screed for interior areas
- Layer-thickness 3 to 50 mm without aggregates
- Layer-thickness 10 to 60 mm with aggregates
- Rapid hardening



### **SCHÖNOX** Tile Adhesives

SCHÖNOX Product Performance	SCHÖNOX® Q6	SCHÖNOX® Q8	SCHÖNOX® Q2	SCHÖNOX® KR
Classification EN 12004	C2 TE S1	C2 TE S1	C2 TE	R2 T
Reaction to fire	A2/A2fl s1, d0	E	A1/A1fl	E
EMICODE	EC 1 <sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emissions, regulated	EC 1 <sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emissions, regulated	EC 1 <sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emissions, regulated	-
M1-code	yes	yes	yes	-
GISCODE	ZP1 – cement products, low in chromate	ZP1 – cement products, low in chromate	ZP1 – cement products, low in chromate	RE 1 – epoxy resin product solvent free, sensitising
Q-Techology (100 % safe performance – variable mix ratio)	yes	yes	-	-
Dust reduced while mixing	yes, approx. 90 %	yes, approx. 90 %	yes, approx. 90 %	-
Temperature resistant (completely cured)	-20 °C up to +80 °C			
Ready for foot traffic	after 12 hours	after 16 hours	after 24 hours	after 16 hours
For large formated tiles	suitable	preferably	-	-

## **SCHÖNOX Tile Grouts**

SCHÖNOX Product Performance	SCHÖNOX® UF PREMIUM	SCHÖNOX® WD FLEX	SCHÖNOX® CF DESIGN	SCHÖNOX® XR 40
<b>Classification EN 12004</b>			R2	
<b>Classification EN 13888</b>	CG2 WA	CG2 WA	RG	CG2 WA
EMICODE	EC 1 <sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emissions, regulated	EC 1 <sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emissions, regulated		EC 1 <sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emissions, regulated
GISCODE	ZP1 – cement products, low in chromate	ZP1 – cement products, low in chromate	RE1 – epoxy resin prodcut solvent free, sensitising	ZP1 – cement products, low in chromate
Joint with	1–12 mm	1-6 mm	1–10 mm	2-40 mm
Dust reduced while mixing	yes, approx. 90 %			
Temperature resistant (completely cured)	-20 °C up to +80 °C	-20 °C up to +80 °C	-20 °C up to +80 °C	-20 °C up to +80 °C
Ready for foot traffic	after 6 hours	after 12 hours	after 16 hours	after 3 hours
Chemical loadable	-	-	after 7 days	after 7 days
For large formated tiles	preferably	suitable	suitable	preferably

## SCHÖNOX Membranes

SCHÖNOX Product Performance	SCHÖNOX® AB	SCHÖNOX® 1K DS PREIMIUM	SCHÖNOX® HA	SCHÖNOX® 2K DS RAPID
Approved to * * ETAG 022 * * **	yes	-	yes	yes
EMICODE	EC 1 <sup>PLUS</sup> : very low emissions	EC 1 <sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emissions, regulated	EC 1: very low emission	EC 1 <sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emissions, regulated
GISCODE	-	ZP1 – cement products, low in chromate	D1 – solvent-free dispersion adhesives and primers	ZP1 – cement products, low in chromate (Powder) D1 – solvent-free dispersion adhesives and primers (Dispersion)
Burst pressure	3,9 bar	-	-	-
Dust reduced while mixing	-	yes, approx. 90 %	-	-
Temperature resistant (completely cured)	-30 °C up to +90 °C	-20 °C up to +80 °C	-	-20 °C up to +60 °C

## SCHÖNOX Levelling Compounds

SCHÖNOX Product Performance	SCHÖNOX® BM 10	SCHÖNOX® FPL PLUS
<b>Classification EN 998-1</b>	CS IV	-
Classification EN 13813	-	CT-C25-F6
Reaction to fire	A2-s2, d0	A1/A1fl
EMICODE	EC 1 <sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emissions, regulated	EC 1 <sup>PLUS</sup> R: very low emissions, regulated
GISCODE	ZP1 – cement products, low in chromate	ZP1 – cement products, low in chromate
Layer thicknesses	1–10 mm, extended 20 mm	3–50 mm, extended 60 mm
Dust reduced while mixing	yes, approx. 90 %	-
Ready for foot traffic	-	after 4 hours
Ready for covering	after approx. 24 hours	ceramics after approx. 4 hours

### SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> CF DESIGN

Name	Formula	Chemical resistance
Acetone	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O	-
All-purpose cleaner		+
Old paint		+
Old oil		+
Formic acid 3 %	CH <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	(+)
Formic acid 5 %	CH <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	(+)
Formic acid 10 %	CH <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	-
Formic acid 100 %	CH <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	-
Ammonia 25 %	$\rm NH_4OH$	+
Beer		+
Soft drink containing caffeine		+
Diesel oil		+
Acetic acid 5 %	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	(+)
Acetic acid 10 %	$C_2H_2O_2$	(+)
Acetic acid 30 %	$C_2H_2O_2$	-
Ethanol 10 %	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O	(+)
Ethanol 100 %	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O	(+)
Chlorinated water	HOCI	(+)
Gearbox oil		+
Glycerine 100 %	$C_2H_4O_2$	+
Potassium hydroxide solution 20 $\%$		(+)
Concentrated saline solution		+
Carbonated water		+
Cod liver oil		+
Linseed oil		+
Carbonated soft drink		+
Seawater		+
Methanol	CH <sub>2</sub> O	-
Milk		+
Diary products		+
Lactic acid 5 %	$C_2H_4O_2$	+
Lactic acid 10 %	$C_2H_4O_2$	(+)
Mineral water		+
Moor water		+
Engine oil		+
Sodium carbonate saturated	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub>	+
Sodium chloride saturated	NaCl	+

Name	Formula	Chemical resistance
Sodium hypochlorite, chlorine bleach		+
Sodium hydroxide 10 %		+
Sodium hydroxide 50 %		+
Olive oil		+
Orange juice		+
Paraffin oil		+
Vegetable oil, papeseed oil		+
Phosphoric acid 30 %	H <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	+
Phosphoric acid 50 %	H <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	+
Castor oil		+
Nitric acid 5 %		+
Nitrohydrochloric acid 10 %	HNO <sub>2</sub>	+
Nitrohydrochloric acid 25 %	HNO <sub>2</sub>	(+)
Hydrochloric acid 3 %	HCI	(+)
Hydrochloric acid 10 %	HCI	(+)
Hydrochloric acid 20 %	HCI	(+)
Hydrochloric acid 30 %	HCI	(+)
Lard		+
Solfuric acid 20 %	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	(+)
Solfuric acid 50 %	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	(+)
Solfuric acid 70 %	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	(+)
Soap solution		+
Soap cleaner		+
Salt water		+
Spirit		(+)
Tetrahydrofuran		-
Thermal water		+
Toluol	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	-
Washing and rinsing detergents		+
Distilled water	H <sub>2</sub> O	+
Hydrogen peroxide	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	+
Wine		+
Dihydroxysuccinic acid 10 %	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	+
Whisky		+
Xylene	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>10</sub>	(+)
Citric acid 10 %	$C_2H_4O_2$	(+)
Sugar solution 10 %		+



Healthcare Space

#### References

### SCHÖNOX at work

Cincinnati Children's' Hospital, USA Hennepin Medical Center Minneapolis, USA ■ Broadmoor Hospital Berkshire, Great Britain Papworth Hospital Cambridge, Great Britain Southmead Hospital Bristol, Great Britain Townsland Hospital Henley, Great Britain Imland Hospital Eckenförde, Germany Elisabeth Retirement home Eislingen, Germany Hospital St. Marien Amberg, Germany Hospital Bassum, Germany University Hospital Cologne, Germany University Medical Center Groningen, Netherlands St. Antonius Hospital, Netherlands Maasland Hospital Sittard, Netherlands Teaching Hospital Leiden, Netherlands Zuwe Hofpoort Hospital, Netherlands Maria-oord Retirement home Vinkeveen, Netherlands ■ International Clinical Research Center Brno, Czech Republic

Juventus Therapeutic pool Brno-Kohoutovice, Czech Republic

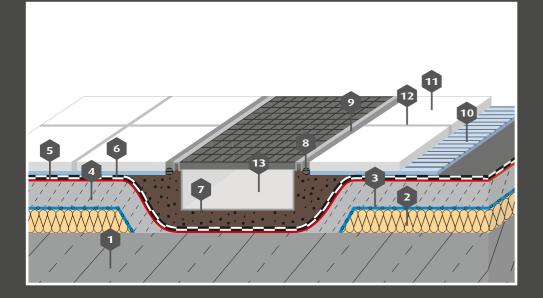


Cincinnati Children's

#### Detailing

### **Commercial Kitchen**

Drain gutter



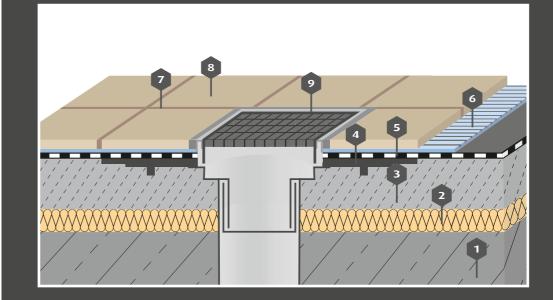
#### 1 Concrete

- 2 Insulation
- 3 PE-foil
- 4 Screed
- 5 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> GEA Primer
- 6 SCHÖNOX® EA PUR
  Polyurethane water proofing (two-layer
  application)
- 7 SCHÖNOX® EPM Epoxy mortar
- 8 Sika® Backing Rod
- 9 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> ES Sealant 10 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> Q6
- Tile adhesive
- 11 Ceramic tiles 12 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> CON BODEN
- 12 SCHUNUX<sup>®</sup> CON BODE
- Epoxy grout
- 13 Drain



#### **Barrier-Free Bathroom**

Floor drain



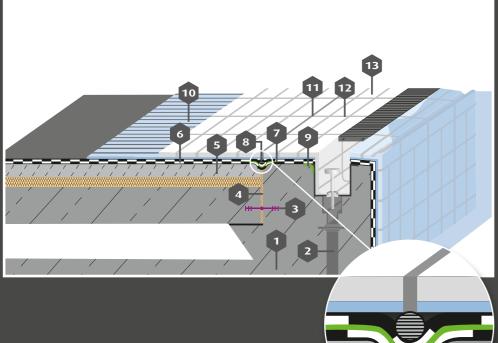


- 1 Concrete
- 2 Insulation
- 3 Screed
- 4 Flange
- 5 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> AB Membrane fixed with SCHÖNOX iFIX<sup>®</sup>
- 6 **SCHÖNOX® Q6** Tile adhesive
- 7 SCHÖNOX® CON BODEN Epoxy grout
- 8 Ceramic tiles
- 9 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> ES Sealant

#### Detailing

#### **Therapeutic Pool**

Finish System, Overflow gutter



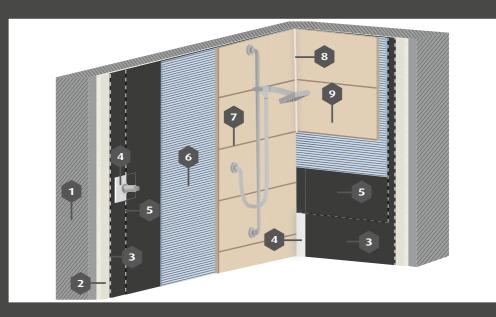


- 1 Watertight concrete
- 2 Drain
- 3 Sika®-Waterbar
- 4 Insulation
- 5 Screed
- 6 SCHÖNOX® EA PUR Polyurethane waterproofing
- 7 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> ST Sealing tape
- 8 Sika® Backing Rod
- 9 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> CON BODEN Capillary barrier
- 10 **SCHÖNOX® Q6** Tile adhesive
- 11 **SCHÖNOX® MES** Elastic sealant
- 12 SCHÖNOX® CF DESIGN Epoxy resin colour tile grout
- 13 Ceramic tiles



### **Communal Showers**

Waterproof System

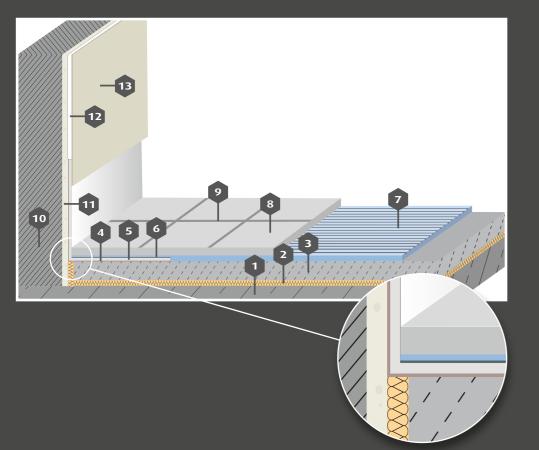




- 1 Wall
- 2 SCHÖNOX® BM 10 Wall Levelling compound
- 3 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> 2K DS RAPID Membrane
- 4 **SCHÖNOX® ST** Gasket for Wall/ Sealing Tape
- 5 **SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> 2K DS RAPID** Membrane
- 6 **SCHÖNOX® Q6** Tile adhesive
- 7 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> WD FLEX Tile grout
- 8 SCHÖNOX® MES Elastic sealant
- 9 Ceramic tiles

### Corridors/Treatment room

Wall and floor connection with stainless steel rail

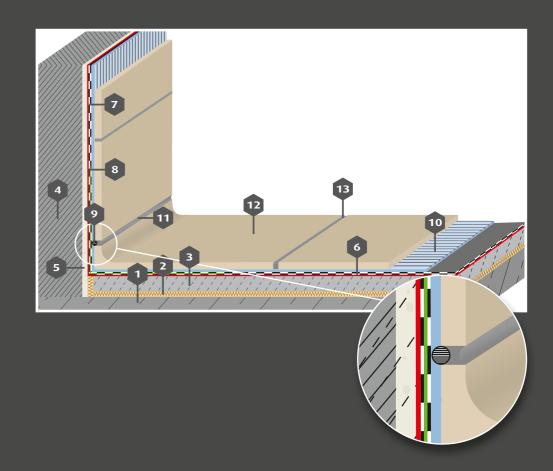


- 1 Concrete
- 2 Insulation
- 3 Screed
- 4 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> KR
- Epoxy resin adhesive 5 Stainless steel rail
- 6 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> SHP Acrylate dispersion
- 7 SCHÖNOX® Q8
- Tile adhesive 8 Ceramic tiles
- 9 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> UF PREMIUM Tile grout
- 10 Wall 11 Render
- 12 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> aDECO
- Wall levelling
- 13 Sika® Hygienic Coatings



### Laboratories/Disinfection room

#### Concave moulding





- 1 Concrete
- 2 Insulation
- 3 Screed
- 4 Wall
- 5 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> BM 10 Wall levelling compound
- 6 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> KH Primer
- 7 SCHÖNOX® 2K DS
  RAPID Membrane
  (two-layer-application)
- 8 SCHÖNOX® ST Sealing tape
- 9 Sika® Backing Rod
- 10 **SCHÖNOX® Q6** Tile adhesive
- 11 SCHÖNOX<sup>®</sup> MES Sealant
- 12 Tile with coved skirting
- 13 SCHÖNOX® XR 40 Tile grout

## The best conditions for problem-free cleaning

Cleaning in hospitals and medical institutions is a key prerequisite for proper operation and the protection of staff and patients against infections. Ceramic tiles are outstanding in comparison to other covering materials, allowing easy cleaning and meeting the highest of demands when it comes to design and functionality. Both glazed and unglazed tiles provide the most efficient surfaces for problem-free cleaning.

UTION

#### **Protecting surfaces**

As a general rule, the cleaning process and cleaning agents used should be coordinated with the floor coverings, following the instructions from the respective manufacturer. It is vital that under no circumstances, cleaning agents containing hydrofluoric acid or its compound (fluoride) should be used as these can attack the ceramic surface, even when significantly diluted. To increase slip resistance and thus increase safety, slippery substances should be regularly removed as they will dramatically reduce the anti-slip effect. Cleaning machines with rotating brushes (scrubbing machines, scrubber-dryers) and liquid jet sprayers (highpressure cleaning equipment) have proven useful for cleaning floors with a significantly textured or rough surface. Their use can be economical, even for smaller surfaces.

Please also ensure that acidic special cleaning agents that remove construction dust and cement residue are used when cleaning for the first time after laying and grouting. However, these can attack cement-based grout. You should thus protect the grout by pre-wetting and rinse the surface thoroughly after use (where applicable, neutralise).

Following cleaning of the patient's room, the ceramic floor in the sanitary area is wiped with a new mop. This is soaked beforehand in a disinfectant solution (prepared according to the instructions) and squeezed lightly. The ceramic wall tiles are ideally cleaned by spraying and wiping them. The specified disinfectant solution is sprayed onto the surfaces (always ensure complete moistening) and wiped off with the clean side of a cleaning cloth after the necessary treatment time. Please ensure the specified dose, as excess doses can attack the surfaces, ceramic tiles and grout.

# In commercial kitchens

Dried-on protein residues, for instance, can be removed with the two-step method using liquid jet sprayers, for which the two cleaning cycles are performed at an interval of several minutes. However, in order to prevent superficial swelling of the protein on the ceramic tiling, an upper limit should be set for the temperature and the concentration of the cleaning solution.

## Surface disinfection

When it comes to the spread of pathogens, certain areas in hospitals pose a high risk. Proper cleaning alone is often insufficient to adequately reduce the number of germs. However, at this point it should be noted that the opinion on the necessity of disinfecting floors and on the specific disinfection practices deviate from each other on a global level.

#### **Cleaning recommendations**

#### In sanitary areas of a patient's room

#### **Substainability**

## Not just a promise – it's our responsibility

We certify sustainable construction according to

- BREEAM
- LEED
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