



## HOW TO STRIP AN OLDER FLOOR WITH SIMIX AS STRIPPING BOOST

When you are using Simix Ceramic Floor Coating, you need to strip the floors as thoroughly as possible. That is why we recommend that you use Simix Multi-Surface Cleaner/Degreaser/Sanitizer with your commercial stripper as a Stripping Boost.

We recommend that you start by cleaning the floors with Simix Cleaner/Degreaser/Sanitizer first to remove the grime and pH neutral residue that slows down your stripper.

### **COMMERCIAL STRIPPER + SIMIX STRIPPING BOOST**

1. Mix commercial stripping solution following the instructions precisely. Hotter the water, better the result.
2. Mix one large scoop of Simix Cleaner/Degreaser/Sanitizer into every 4 gallons of commercial stripping solution for an added Stripping Boost.
3. Spread stripper and Simix solution on floor.
4. If you have ten coats or less of wax, allow 40 minutes of dwell time. If you have more than ten coats, allow it to dwell for 1.5 hours.
5. Add one small scoop of Simix Cleaner/Degreaser/Sanitizer per 5 gallons of water in your autoscrubber.
6. Install black stripping pad or stripping brush on your autoscrubber or floor buffer.
7. Strip as you normally do. This process can remove 20 or more coats in a single strip.
8. Simix will make your stripper dry faster than usual because it's working more quickly. Do not let the stripping solution dry. Run your autoscrubber every 20 minutes with full pressure, full water at medium speed with gate up making at least one pass.
9. Make sure someone spreads the solution back over the floor. Keep the floor wet at all times.
10. Scrub and suck up the stripping solution. Make several passes.

11. If there are still areas of wax, keep stripping until you are 100% sure that all coats and residue are removed.

**NEXT: SWITCH TO 220 DIAMOND**

1. Put a clean 220 diamond (color side down) on autoscrubber or floor buffer.
2. Put one small scoop of Simix Cleaner/Degreaser/Sanitizer powder per 5 gallons of water into autoscrubber. If you are using a floor buffer, get a mop and wet the floor with the same water/Simix combination.
3. Go over the floor with full pressure and full water at medium speed if you are using the autoscrubber. Go over the floor with full pressure and low speed if you are using a floor buffer.
4. Make two to four passes until you feel it's smooth.
5. Pick up on the last pass.

**NEXT: SWITCH TO 800 WITH SIMIX CLEANER/DEGREASER/SANITIZER**

1. Mix one small scoop of Simix Kitchen Cleaner/Degreaser/Sanitizer per 5 gallons of water in autoscrubber.
1. Put the 800 diamond grit burnishing pad (color side down) on your autoscrubber or floor buffer.
2. Scrub the floors at high water, high pressure, and medium speed with the gate down.
3. Make two or three passes.
4. Keep scrubbing until water is virtually clear with no suds and the floor is smooth to the touch.

**NEXT: 3000 PAD WITH SIMIX MULTI-SURFACE CLEANER/DEGREASER/SANITIZER**

5. Mix one small scoop of Simix Kitchen Cleaner/Degreaser/Sanitizer per 5 gallons of water in autoscrubber.
2. Put the 3000 diamond grit burnishing pad (color side down) on your autoscrubber or floor buffer.
6. Scrub the floors at high water, high pressure, and medium speed with the gate down.
7. Make two or three passes.
8. Keep scrubbing until water is virtually clear with no suds and the floor is smooth to the touch.

### **FINAL RINSE WITH RED PAD**

9. Mix one small scoop of Simix Kitchen Cleaner/Degreaser/Sanitizer per 5 gallons of water in autoscrubber.
3. Put the red pad on your autoscrubber or floor buffer.
10. Scrub the floors at high water, high pressure, and medium speed with the gate down.
11. Make two or three passes.
12. Keep scrubbing until water is virtually clear with no suds and the floor is smooth to the touch.

### **NEXT: CHECK YOUR WORK**

1. Go over the floors with a clean damp mop.
2. Use a fan to help floors dry.
3. Make absolutely sure there is no floor finish residue. There should not be any dark or shiny spots along the edges.

You are now ready to apply Simix Ceramic Floor Coating.