

Golden Rules for Applying Sealant

(especially in small joints)

These rules are written with Bathrooms and Kitchens in mind but are not limited to.

- ✓ Remove any loose materials so that you have a stable base. De-grease joints with a solvent based cleaner
- ✓ Use the correct silicone/sealant for your joints, either High or Low modulus
- ✓ Use a proper profiling tool
- ✓ Look for the greatest gap & select the smallest tool to cover a gap of + 2-3mm either side. This applies to joints that are 90° to each other.
- ✓ Cut the nozzle at 90° ie: straight across
- ✓ Cut the nozzle to the width of the edge “Profiling Tool” that you have selected.
- ✓ Push the sealant into the joint
- ✓ Aim to have contact on only two sides (NOT three sides)
- ✓ Use an adapter guide to get smooth lines over transverse joints.
- ✓ Work in short sections
- ✓ Corners: Up First, then left to right
- ✓ Clean tools with paper tool after use for next time

WHAT NOT TO DO when Applying **Sealant** (especially in small joints)

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- ✘ Don't Use Tape
- ✘ Don't Use your finger
- ✘ Don't shape sealant into a concave profile
- ✘ Don't use water & detergent
- ✘ Don't cut the nozzle very small @ 45 degrees
- ✘ Don't pull the sealant along the joint
- ✘ Don't cover all 3 joint sides