

## wetroom

safety vinyl flooring & vinyl wall coverings

### surestep laguna safestep aqua onyx FR



## **step**<sup>®</sup> + **onyx** FR = **TOTAL WETROOM SOLUTION**



## safestep<sup>®</sup>aqua

This modern, organic design with a new and unique embossing shape is designed for barefoot (and soft soled shoes) areas.

A flexible product, available across 12 colours, can easily be installed to meet the specific requirements of the wetroom sector. The clean and modern collection meets the hygienic and aesthetic requirements of the application areas such as bathrooms and swimming pool areas. Suitable for wheelchair use.

Class C, R10, ESb, TRRL  $\geq$ 36, Rz  $\geq$ 20.

## surestep<sup>®</sup>laguna

This product combines barefoot and footwear slip resistance, for areas where both are likely and frequently will take place. Complying with the relevant norms for the application, Laguna is suitable for use in transition areas such as changing rooms and circulation areas. The subtle, soil hiding design is available in 12 colourways, offering a clean and fresh look. Suitable for wheelchair use.

Class B, R10, ESf + ESb, TRRL  $\geq$ 36, Rz  $\geq$ 20.





### **ONYX** FR

Onyx is a durable vinyl wallcovering, especially suited for wetrooms, such as bathrooms and showers. Once heat welded, it provides the perfect hygienic surface which ensures there is no breeding ground for bacteria. Matching weld rods are available.

## FORBO'S WETROOM SOLUTIONS

The popularity of the 'wetroom concept', a watertight walk-in shower room, is growing and not just in nursing homes, hospitals and care homes, but also in student accommodation, sports centres and hotels. The continuously sealed floor and wall system stops moisture ingress and therefore prevents bacterial growth.

Easy to access, even for wheel chair users, hygienic and easy and quick to clean (with no sharp corners or crevices for dirt and bacteria to collect), it's not surprising that this type of facility, which originated in Scandinavia, is becoming so popular across the UK.

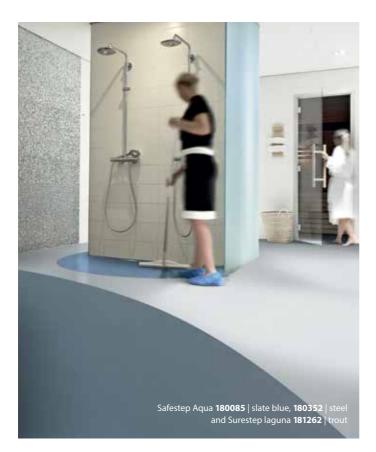
#### Co-ordinated wall and safety floor surfaces

Our Safestep Aqua and Surestep Laguna ranges are perfect for wetroom applications. They were specifically developed for use in continuously wet areas, where water flows frequently and barefoot traffic is the standard; or where there is a combination of barefoot and footwear traffic.

To complement these well established safety flooring options, we have introduced Onyx FR, a range of stylishly co-ordinated vinyl wall coverings.



# BEAUTIFULLY COLOUR CO-ORDINATED **WALL AND FLOOR SURFACES**



## The floor covering – safestep<sup>®</sup> aqua surestep<sup>®</sup> laguna

- Guaranteed lifetime slip resistance
- Innovative slip resistant Step Crystals for a clean and fresh design and easier cleaning
- Up to 60% recycled content in the backing
- Glass fleece carrier for superior dimensional stability
- PUR Pearl floor surface finish for protection and optimal hygiene
- Suitable for wheelchair use



# The wall covering – **ONYX** FR

- Available in 2m wide rolls
- 16 colourways ranging from the muted and contemporary to bright and fun with four additional decorative designs to choose from
- Matching uni-colour welding rods to provide a totally smooth, hygienic wall surface
- Two decorative designs should be laid horizontally but the remaining 18 designs can be laid horizontally or vertically for ease of application and choice of aesthetic
- 20m x 49cm border available for use with horizontally fitted product to ensure a full watertight finish for the full height of the wall

## safestep<sup>®</sup>aqua



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LRV 17

LRV 5

## surestep<sup>®</sup>laguna



## **ONYX** FR

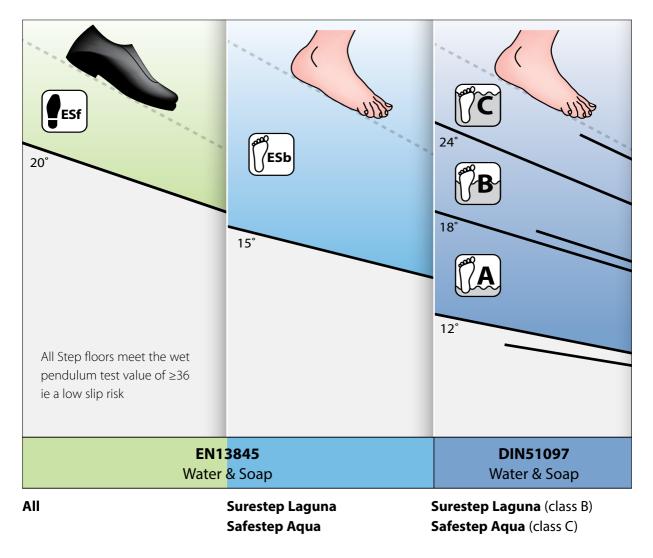


\*The grass in the Nordic Grass design is approximately 80cm tall. Product should be installed horizontally \*\*The bark design is 2m tall. Product should be installed horizontally.

All other Onyx FR colourways can be installed horizontally or vertically.

For the two designs that need to be installed horizontally, 23557 uni white is a border 2m x 49cm width which can be used above the main pattern. Please note that both Step and Onyx FR should be fully bonded during installation.

### **SLIP RESISTANT NORMS**



#### There is always the risk of slipping in wet spaces. Therefore, slip resistance is essential in any wetroom system.

#### HSE Compliance – Wet Pendulum test – ≥36

All Step floors are tested using the TRRL Pendulum test, the preferred test method of the HSE which is used to assess the slip resistance of a floor surface. Floors can be tested with different rubber sliders to assess either footwear or barefoot use. Using this test, a Pendulum test value (PTV) of 36 or higher is considered to offer a low slip risk. Surestep Laguna and Safestep Aqua offer wet Pendulum test values of ≥36 for barefoot use areas.

Forbo Step complies with EN 13485 due to the use of slip resistant particles throughout the wear layer of the product. This standard specifies the requirements that must be met to ensure durable slip resistance throughout the guaranteed life of the product. For products used in barefoot areas, DIN 51097 applies. The test method is similar to DIN 51130, but for this test, the tester walks the ramp with bare feet and the surface of the test material is covered with a 'soap and water' solution which is more relevant to barefoot applications.

The Step range offers unique solutions up to the highest class in barefoot safety performance. By choosing the correct Step floor for the relevant application, the potential for accidents caused by slipping can be reduced significantly.

## YOUR WETROOM SHOPPING LIST

In order for a wetroom to function correctly, it's important that all surfaces are watertight. We've produced a video and detailed installation instructions showing how to install a wetroom system (**www.forbo-flooring.co.uk/wetroom**) and below is a shopping list of the key items that you will need for a successful installation. Details of where to source these items can also be found online at the link above.

All of the profiles are used to allow for the floor and covering to be continued up the wall for a neat and clean finish in wet and sanitised areas. The cove former is installed at the junction between the wall and the floor. This creates a hidden curved support for the floor covering as it is formed over the junction and up the wall. The cove former is also installed on the internal corners on the walls to ensure that there are no crevices which can harbour bacteria.



#### **Internal corner pieces**

To provide support and make a smooth transition for the Step floor covering at internal corners.



#### **External corner pieces**

To support the Step floor covering and make a smooth transition at external corners.

### YOUR WETROOM SHOPPING LIST

In addition to the installation accessories on the previous page, we'd like to suggest using some specific tools to help make the installation as smooth and easy as possible.

**Roller for external corners** 





This smart but simple tool helps to ensure that the Onyx FR is evenly adhered to external corners preventing creases and gaps and ensuring a good seal.



As the size of the average wet room is approximately  $3.5m^2$ , large welding guns can be difficult to manoeuvre. A smaller welding gun is lighter and easier to use. We also recommend using a speed weld nozzle for wall coverings as this improves the dispersion of heat during welding.



For details on where to source these items, please download our installation instructions at **www.forbo-flooring.co.uk/ wetroom** 

## WHAT TO DO NEXT

We recommend that you go to **www.forbo-flooring.co.uk/wetroom** to watch the installation video as this may help you decide if you want the wall coverings installed horizontally or vertically.

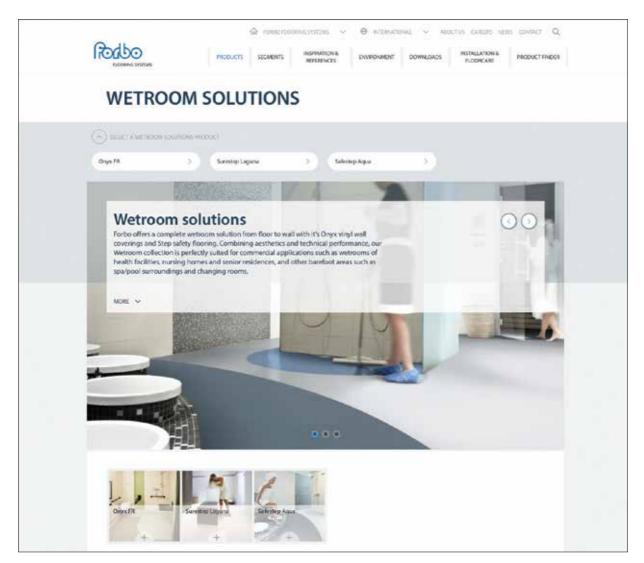
You may also want to consider the flooring that you are using alongside the wetroom area. Forbo has a wide range of products including Safety vinyl tiles as well as other designs within the Step safety floor collection. Visit **www.forbo-flooring.co.uk/step** to see our full range of safety flooring products.

For further information an any of the products in this brochure, or any other Forbo product, please feel free to contact us on the numbers below.

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