

Metropolitan

Cabinet & Countertops

Stone Countertop Care:

Metropolitan has sealed the stone before installing your countertops, but additional applications may be required on more porous stone.

Sealer may be purchased from Metropolitan. Annual applications are encouraged to maintain your granite/marble.

Countertops should be cleaned with a neutral cleaner. Metropolitan sells neutral cleaner; just ask your salesperson if you wish to make a purchase.

Do not use abrasive, acid or oil based products for cleaning, as they can etch or stain the stone. Regular cleaning will keep your stone looking great for years to come.

Stone Countertop Guidelines

Congratulations on your stone countertop purchase! It is an investment you will enjoy for years to come.

Stone is a natural product and therefore has unique characteristics which may result in color, pattern and texture variations. Neither Metropolitan nor our suppliers can be held responsible for the type or amount of variations in your stone.

We encourage all parties to view their slabs at our Norwood location to see how your countertops will be laid out. If Metropolitan fabricators are left to determine your layout, decisions will be based on our own best practices and will not be redone.

Template Preparation Checklist*:

- ___ Prior to template, the cabinets **must be** permanently secured in place. Cabinets **must be** leveled to within 1/8" over 10 feet. *(Contractors need to be aware of this!)*
- ___ Sink(s) **must be** verified as the correct models and **must be** on site.
- ___ Contractor **must** install cleats behind dishwashers and other necessary areas.
- ___ Countertops **must be** free of any objects.
- ___ Older cabinets **must be** secure enough to support the weight of the stone. (18 to 22 lbs per square foot is average for 1 1/4" thick stone.)
- ___ Free-standing and slide-in stoves **must be** in place and cooktops **must be** on site.
- ___ Dishwashers must be on site and in place.
- ___ All cutting of cabinets to accommodate sinks, cooktops and stoves **must be** done by contractor, prior to our arrival.

* *Failure to comply with the above guidelines will prevent Metropolitan from being able to create an accurate template. A **Return Visit Charge** will be applied to your order and your template date will be rescheduled.*

Installation Preparation Checklist:

- ___ Access to job must be free of snow, ice and debris.
- ___ Faucets, soap dispensers etc., **must be** on site for dry fitting.
- ___ The industry standard for all seams and joints is 1/8". *Please be aware that granite/marble seams will be visible.*
- ___ Chips at the edges or corners may be patched, providing the structural integrity of the stone is not affected.

These guidelines are recommended to help us produce and install your new countertops in a safe and timely manner.

Thank you for your partnership in this process -- enjoy your purchase.