

## Scheduling Guidelines For Acid-Stained Concrete Floors

The general work phases of a residential or small commercial acid-staining job can be summarized as:

Phase 1 = Score, Clean, Stain & Cover

Phase 2 = Seal & Finish, Cure Period

Below are points in the construction timeline when the work phases of scoring and acid-staining should ideally be performed. The activities listed under 'structure' are not meant to be complete or perfectly ordered but only to provide builders & contractors with a general idea of the activities timeline. (Note: job day = ~2,000 sq. ft.)

STRUCTURE: Site work & pre-pour plumbing, etc.  
Slab poured

ACID-STAINING: Scoring (if done prior to framing) ] Duration: ~ 2,000 – 3,000 sf/d, as soon as pour +1.

STRUCTURE: Framing; electrical; plumbing, etc.

STRUCTURE: Drywall installed  
Insulation  
Tape & bed; texture

ACID-STAINING: Phase One:  
Scoring (if done after framing) ] Duration: ~ 2,000 – 3,000 sf/d,  
Clean concrete ] longer for multi-color and/or  
Stain concrete ] high degree-of-difficulty  
Cover concrete edge-to-edge ] staining.

STRUCTURE: Set cabinets & built-ins (over covered concrete)  
Install trim (directly over covered concrete)

STRUCTURE: Interior finish-out – all painting & other finish work  
Plumbing fixtures & all appliances installed  
All other floor coverings, carpet, wood, etc. installed  
Electrical & Plumbing finish-out completed

ACID-STAINING: Phase Two:  
Uncover & re-clean concrete ] Duration: ~ 2 days per 5,000 sf  
Seal concrete ] plus 24 hr. initial dry time for light  
Finish concrete ] foot traffic, longer for specialty  
Cure period (48 – 72 hours) ] coatings & finishes

STRUCTURE: Paint touch-up, final cleaning, punch