

# Is microcement right for your space?

A quick diagnostic for Seattle homeowners. Microcement is one of the most versatile surfaces available — but it's not right for every situation. **Answer the questions below honestly** to find out if your space is a strong candidate before you call anyone.

## PART 1 Your space

Check every box that applies to your project.

- I want to update a bathroom, kitchen, or floor without tearing out what's already there
- My existing surface is structurally sound — no soft spots, no flex, no shifting
- There are no active leaks or water damage behind my current walls or floor
- The surface is dry, or can be fully dried before work begins
- I'm dealing with grout lines I can't stand looking at or cleaning
- I want the floor, walls, and shower to feel like one continuous surface
- I need a waterproof solution that doesn't look like standard tile

**5 or more checked:** Your space sounds like a strong candidate. Keep reading.

**Fewer than 4:** Microcement may not be the right fit yet — or there may be prep work needed first. Part 3 explains why.

## PART 2 Your priorities

Check every box that applies to you.

- I want a surface that's easy to clean and maintain long-term
- I care about how the space looks and want something that feels intentional
- I'm open to a premium material at a premium price — I'd rather do it right once
- I'm not in a rush — I understand a quality installation takes 1 to 3 weeks
- I want something that will last 15 to 20 years with basic upkeep

**4 or more checked:** Your priorities align well with what microcement delivers.

**If budget or timeline is a concern:** That's worth a direct conversation before committing to anything.

## PART 3 Watch out for these

Microcement is not the right call in these situations. If any describe your space, they need to be addressed **before** installation — not after.

### Active moisture or leaks

If water is getting behind your walls or floor, microcement won't solve it. The source has to be fixed first or the new surface will fail.

### Structural movement

Floors or walls that flex, shift, or show active cracking aren't ready. The surface underneath must be stable or the finish will crack too.

### Severe surface damage

Deep damage, crumbling material, or heavily uneven surfaces require remediation before microcement can be applied.

## What to do next

If your space looks like a good candidate, the next step is a consultation. **Bring this sheet with you** — or send it ahead — so your installer can confirm your assessment and flag anything worth addressing first.

If something gave you pause, that's useful information too. A qualified installer can tell you whether the issue is fixable and what it would take to get the space ready.



**DuetRight** installs microcement throughout the Seattle area. Want a straight answer about your specific space?

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