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Cleaning & Maintenance Guide

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HETEROGENEOUS SAFETY VINYL FLOORING

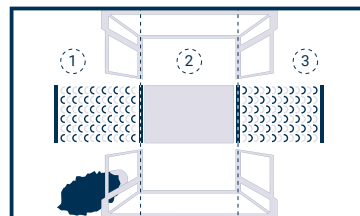
Modern day cleaning methods now focus on reducing wet cleaning procedures and are replaced by drier cleaning techniques. For example, the use of pre-impregnated mops laundered centrally, as well as making use of appropriate cleaning machines. This makes work easier for the cleaning staff, more effective and influences the environment as little as possible. In turn, less cleaning chemicals and less fresh water are used. This way the cleaning procedures yield improved results of a constant quality.

INITIAL SITE CLEANING

- Always protect the floor with thick paper, hard board or similar during the construction period.
Removing tape: carefully pull the tape backwards, not straight up from the floor.
- An initial site clean is always recommended before using the new flooring.
- Lightly soiled floors:
- Vacuum, sweep or damp mop the area to remove loose dirt and building dust.
- A combined scrubber/dryer with medium brushing pads is very effective to clean large areas.
- Use a pH neutral detergent to be able to pick up dust from construction work.

PREVENTIVE CARE FOR A CLEANER ENVIRONMENT

- Use correctly dimensioned entrance matting to remove dirt in the entrance area. About 80% of all the dirt on the floor that has to be cleaned off is brought in from outside. And 90% of that can be avoided by effective and correctly dimensioned entrance matting. The less dirt that comes in through the entrance, the lower the maintenance requirements.
- **The entrance shall consist of three zones:**
 - The first zone (entirely weather-protected under a roof) is for rough cleaning and stamping off dirt.
 - The second zone is used to dry away the dirt.
 - The third zone is inside the doors and it shall have loose, washable textile rugs that absorb the last moisture under the shoes. In total, the entry zone should be long enough so that you take 8 steps over them.



DAILY CLEANING



- Sweep floor area with a soft broom or V sweep.
- Mop clean using a flat head microfiber mop and pH neutral detergent.
- It is important to ensure minimum moisture is left on the surface after mopping.

DAILY CLEANING – MACHINE



- Sweep floor area with a soft broom or V sweep.
- Apply a solution of pH neutral detergent, diluted as per the manufacturer's recommendation. A pump spray bottle will allow for even distribution and cleaning solution economy.
- Scrub the surface of the vinyl using a contra rotating cylindrical machine, rotary scrubber, robotic scrubber dryer or a scrubber-dryer standard speed machine fitted with a medium brush.
- Mop dry or allow the surface to dry before permitting foot traffic.
- Limescale may form occasionally in wet areas. These deposits can be easily removed by using detergent and a melamine pad. Rinse thoroughly after use with clean water.

REMOVING MARKS



- Treat marks immediately. Use a wet melamine pad or hard brush. If required use methylated spirits, a cleaning spirit or neutral detergent. Wipe again with clean water after using such products.

MAINTENANCE

- Never apply any type of polish, wax or maintainer as they will affect the anti-slip properties of the flooring.

PERIODIC CLEANING



- Sweep the floor area with a soft broom or V sweep.
- Apply a solution of pH neutral detergent, diluted as per the manufacturer's recommendation. A pump spray bottle will allow for even distribution and cleaning solution economy.
- Scrub the surface of the safety flooring using a contra rotating cylindrical machine, rotary scrubber or a scrubber-dryer standard speed machine fitted with a melamine cleaning pad or medium brushes.
- Mop dry or allow the surface to dry before permitting foot traffic.

GENERAL ADVICE

- Resilient floors are damaged by solvents.
- Wipe up any spilt oil immediately as it may damage the surface.
- Black rubber wheels and rubber feet can cause discolouration.
- All chair legs must have protective feet.
- Remember that light colours needs more frequent cleaning.