



MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

PREVENTATIVE MEASURES

ENTRANCE MATTING

Ensure that the entrance mat is as large as possible. It should be large enough that you have to take a minimum of four steps to cross it. Ensure that the mat allows dirt to drop away from the surface and removes moisture. A mixture of water and grit combined with foot traffic will essentially wet abrade the floor.

CLEANING ENTRANCE MATTING

Advise that the matting is maintained and replaced on a regular basis. A dirty mat can't clean shoes or protect floors from being damaged.

DAILY CLEANING

- Surface dust can significantly affect the slip resistance of a floor, particularly when the floor is new or has recently been finished. As a basic minimum, dust and grit should be removed from all floors on a daily basis, preferably using a scissor mop. Smaller floors can be swept with a soft broom or vacuum cleaned.
- The floor should be cleaned using a neutral pH cleaner to remove dirt and other contamination. Ideally this should be done using a machine-based cleaning system, such as the Buffer or a scrubber/dryer machine. For very small floors and spot cleaning, it is possible to use a mop. This is, however, not efficient enough for larger
- floors or for sustained use. On lightly used floors, these maintenance procedures may only be needed once or twice each week whereas heavily used floors will often require daily cleaning.



- When normal cleaning seems unable to remove all of the dirt or marks on the floor, it is possible to clean using a green or yellow Twister pad. But excessive, continuous use of aggressive pads may dull or physically damage the surface of the floor.
- Avoid too much water on the floor. Fluctuations in the moisture content of the floor can cause expansion / contraction of the timber.
- The effectiveness of the cleaning program should be carefully monitored to determine that the frequency of cleaning is sufficient. N.B. All cleaning materials must be kept in good order and replaced on a regular basis as it is impossible to clean properly or to apply any type of maintenance product with dirty equipment i.e. mops, etc.

ADDITIONAL CLEANING

Although frequent cleaning using Neutral pH Cleaner will remove water soluble dirt and almost all other contamination from the floor, there will be an inevitable, gradual buildup of materials, including body fat from skin contact and sweat as well as synthetic material from shoe soles and the like. This will cause the surface to become steadily more slippery and it is important that this material is removed from the floor without affecting the surface in any way. This is why the floor needs additional cleaning with Neutral pH Cleaner.

- After dilution, spray or mop Neutral pH Cleaner across the surface of the floor and leave it on the surface for approximately 5 minutes. It is important not to apply too much and that it isn't left on the floor for an excessively long time.
- When the Neutral pH Cleaner has had time to loosen and dissolve the surface contamination, the floor should be machine cleaned, using a red pad or equivalent. It is important that all remains of Neutral pH Cleaner are removed from the surface before cleaning with Sportive Cleaner.



- The interval between additional cleanings with the Neutral pH Cleaner depends on how the floor is being used and the amount of traffic. But, as a general guideline, most floors will need cleaning every few months, and heavily used floors will need it more often than that.