

Rubber Flooring Cleaning and Maintenance Instructions

I. Residential Cleaning and Maintenance Instructions for Rubber Flooring

Note: Sealing the floor is not recommended.

A. Maintenance for Recycled Rubber Flooring.

1. Rubber Flooring, Inc's rubber flooring can be cleaned much like carpeting.
2. Daily vacuuming is encouraged to keep dust to a minimum.
3. If the flooring cannot be fully cleaned with a vacuum, a damp mopping with a mild soap and water solution will usually be sufficient.
 - a) It is important not to get the flooring too wet as this may have an adverse affect on the adhesive system employed.
 - b) Change the soap and water solution often!
4. Use a wet vacuum to remove excess water from the flooring.
5. Be sure to use a clean mop. This will keep your floor smelling fresh and clean.
6. Too disinfect the flooring, a mild alcohol and water solution is ok for use on the flooring.

Important Note: Do not use any solvent or oil style cleaners to clean the flooring such as Pine sol, Paint Thinner, WD-40, etc. as these chemical types will damage the flooring. If they are accidentally used, rinse the area with water immediately and try to dilute the concentration of the solvent. Contact Rubber Flooring, Inc. with any more questions should they arise.

II. Commercial Cleaning and Maintenance Instructions for Rubber Flooring

Note: Sealing the floor is not a necessary step and in fact, it is discouraged in very abusive applications (e.g., Health club free weight area or ice hockey perimeter flooring).

A. Maintenance for Un-sealed Floors.

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 - a) It is important not to get the flooring too wet as this may have an adverse affect on the adhesive system employed.
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4. Use a wet vacuum to remove excess water from the flooring.
5. Be sure to use a clean mop. This will keep your floor smelling fresh and clean.

B. Post Construction Maintenance for Sealed Floors.

1. Sweep the floor clean.
2. Dry vacuum to ensure any fine soil is removed.
3. Wet scrub floor with TASKI Profi cleaner (6-8 oz / gal of water) using buffer or autoscrubber with a TASKI contact pad or soft nylon brush.
 - a) TASKI floor care products are manufactured by JohnsonDiversey™ and can be found at many janitorial supply houses.
 - b) JohnsonDiversey™ customer service hotline is 800-626-5015
 - c) Look under institutional floor care products on their website at <http://www.diverseylever.com>
4. Recover soiled solution, rinse, and allow to dry thoroughly (6-8 hours).

C. Initial Treatment

1. Apply 3 thin coats of TASKI Vision Matte v. 2. Allow proper drying time before applying next coat.
 - a) Note: Apply floor finish with synthetic wax mop. While the finish is wet, buff the floor with floor buffer (150-300 rpm) and soft nylon brush. This application drives the finish into the floor and prompts proper sealing and coating of the floor.

D. Daily / As Needed Cleaning

1. Dry vacuum floor thoroughly (daily).
2. Auto scrub or wet mop floor using TASKI Combiplus or TASKI Wiwax as needed. (2-3 oz/gal of water).
 - a) NOTE: In an office environment, the floor may become scuffed due to heavy foot traffic and may require weekly or as needed spray buffing or dry buffing of the floor with a mint or white pad. In application of spray buffing, use TASKI Wiwax diluted 50/50 with water.

E. Periodic Cleaning As Needed

1. Dry vacuum the floor thoroughly.
2. Wet scrub the floor with TASKI Profi (4oz / gal). This application is done with an autoscrubber or a buffer and wet vacuum. Use a TASKI purple pad for scrubbing the floor.
3. Allow the solution to remain on the floor for at least 5 minutes.
4. Wet vacuum soiled solution.
5. Rinse and allow to dry (1-2 hours).
6. Apply 1-2 thin coats of TASKI Vision Matte using a wet buffing process with soft nylon brush.

F. A Few Tips About Working With Rubber Flooring

1. Use a vacuum with a high CFM to pick up dust.
2. Wait for the floor to dry between applications of floor finish or sealer.
3. Apply floor finish (thin coats) with wax mop and follow with a floor buffer using a soft nylon brush.
4. For large areas, use an auto scrubber with a contact pad or soft nylon brush to clean the floor daily.
5. For stripping a rubber floor, use TASKI Ice-It and nylon brush.
6. For poorly maintained floors, it may be necessary to continue cleaning with Ice-It for an extended period.
7. For food areas, daily cleaning should be done with Profi (2-4 oz/gal).
8. Too disinfect the flooring, a mild alcohol and water solution is ok for use on the flooring.