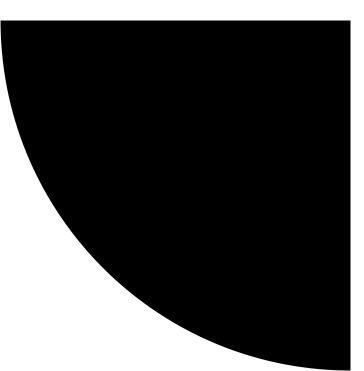
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Maintenance Guide Commercial Sheets



Maintenance Recommendations for Commercial Sheets

INITIAL CARE

After installation is completed:

Remove all debris (electrostatic duct mop or vacuum).
Damp mop with *neutral floor cleaner.

Allow 48 hours before carrying out the following:

- Mop using electrostatic dust mop or vacuum.
- Damp mop or light scrub if necessary. Wet scrub using automatic scrubbing machine or single disc swing machine 300 rpm or lower (3M[®] Red scrubbing pad or equivalent) with *<u>neutral floor cleaner</u>.

How to Determine/Tailor A Maintenance Program

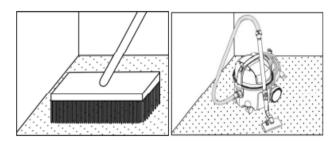
Frequency and type of maintenance required depends on traffic flow, application, environmental conditions and the user requirements of site.

Maintenance program shall include the following:

Daily/Regular Maintenance

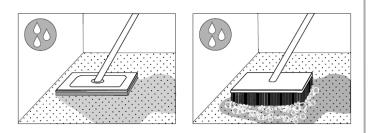
Dusting and cleaning:

- 1. Sweep, static dust/microfibre mop, vacuum thoroughly to remove all dirt and dust.
- 2. Damp Mop (Nylon/Rayon/Microfibre) with *<u>neutral floor</u> <u>cleaner</u>.



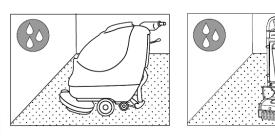
Spot cleaning:

• Spot scrub edges & fixtures using soft bristled broom with *<u>neutral floor cleaner</u>.



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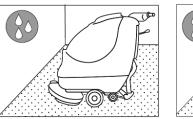
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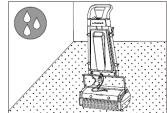


Periodic Maintenance

Scrubbing machine in large & unobstructed areas

 Wet Scrub using automatic scrubbing machine or single disc swing machine 300 rpm or lower (3M[®] Red scrubbing pad or equivalent) with *<u>neutral floor cleaner</u>.





Notes:

3M[®] Red scrubbing pad or equivalent for <u>light scrubbing</u> 3M[®] Blue scrubbing pad or equivalent for <u>deep scrubbing</u>

Restorative Maintenance

(Optional and user requirements of site)

Stripping of existing floor finish/polish

- Mix stripping solution to the appropriate dilution, depending on floor finish build-up. Do cordon off areas to be stripped and prohibit traffic until restorative maintenance procedures are completed. Apply liberal amounts of solution uniformly on floor with a mop. Let stripping solution soak for the appropriate amount of time recommended by the stripper manufacturer. Keep areas to be stripped wet and rewet if necessary.
- Machine scrub the floor (300 rpm or lower) with a scrubbing pad (3M[™] blue or equivalent scrub brush) to break up the polish film. Do not allow stripping solution to dry on the floor.
- 3. Remove dirty stripping solution with a wet vacuum or mop. TIP: Drizzling fresh, clean rinse water onto the dirty stripping solution will assist with more thorough removal.
- 4. Thoroughly rinse the entire floor with fresh, clean water. Remove rinse water and allow the floor to dry completely.
- Apply 2 to 3 coats of high-quality *<u>commercial floor polish</u>. In areas where the flooring will be exposed to heavy traffic and/or staining agents, the application of 1 or 2 coats of a stain resistant sealer prior to the application of polish, is recommended.

PROTECTION

All vinyl flooring should be protected during the construction period.

Armstrong Flooring **DOES NOT** recommend the use of plastic materials for the protection of vinyl floor or wall products during construction (e.g. builder's plastic, corflute[®], sticky back carpet or vinyl protector or films), these materials can damage the floor/wall.

Armstrong Flooring recommends the use of the lining felt from inside the roll as surface protection.

Alternatively, the use of cardboard or paper products would be acceptable.

Where additional or solid protection is required first install lining felt, cardboard or paper and then rigid material over this (plywood, hardboard, corflute[®] etc).

ENSURE surface protection is applied over clean floors only.

DO NOT tape/stick protection directly to the floor.

DO NOT allow water to sit on or under the protection materials (this could damage the floor and/or cloud the protective polyurethane).

DO use walk-off mats that are as wide as the doorway entrances and long enough (min. 3 average paces) to trap dirt before reaching the resilient floor. Ensure that walk-off mats are cleaned frequently.

Sand and grit are abrasive and can damage floors; stopping dirt at the entrance means less dirt trafficked through the building, protecting your investment and helping keep maintenance costs down.

Ensure all furniture legs have well maintained non-abrasive feet. Exposed metal legs can damage flooring.

DO NOT leave any rubber products such as chair feet, tyres and mats in contact with the vinyl floor, these could cause staining.

Stain Removal:

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Treatment should be carried out when stains are fresh, immediately remove contaminant. Spot clean with *<u>neutral</u> <u>floor cleaner</u> using soft nylon brush. After stains have been removed, rinse floor with clean water and allow to dry.

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WARNINGS & IMPORTANT NOTES

- *<u>Neutral floor cleaner</u> Recommended maintenance procedures shall be using neutral floor cleaner with reading of pH 6 to 8. Always dilute chemicals to appropriate levels for each application accordingly to floor cleaner's instructions.
- *Commercial floor polish Recommended brands like "3M[®]" or any brands with equivalent usage and specifications meeting user expectations/ requirements. Do follow manufacturer's instruction accordingly.
- 3. Adhesive residue may be removed using a clean white cloth dampened with small amounts of mineral turps, carefully following warnings on container, immediately rinse with clean water (test in inconspicuous area first).
- 4. Auto scrubbing in unobstructed areas takes approximately 20% of the time of damp mopping. For maximum efficiency use damp mopping in obstructed areas only.
- 5. Spot mopping / spot scrubbing should be used when necessary. Spillages post wet floor signs and wipe up immediately. Allow to dry and remove signs.

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