

RESILIENT MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST-RESTAURANTS

Proper Care of your resilient floor will help maintain the appearance and performance of your resilient floor by following recommended 1) Preventative, 2) Routine and 3) Wet Cleaning guidelines.

Preventative

Identify and Address All Sources of Soiling

- Maintain a clean exterior (parking lots and walk ways) where dirt enters the building.
- Proper mats should have non-staining backing and used at entranceways, transition areas and special areas such as food service areas/restrooms to confine soil, oil, grease and high moisture areas.
- Entrance mats keep soil and moisture outside. Two matting categories are:
 - Soil Removal – used at exterior entrances to remove soil from shoes
 - Absorbent mats – used inside to minimize moisture
- Mats should cover at least 6 footsteps to capture soil transferring from shoes. Additional matting may be necessary during inclement weather. Include mats in the maintenance program and keep clean.
- Additional matting is needed in food cooking areas to capture grease/oil. These mats would be a top priority to maintain daily.

Routine Maintenance

Dry Soil Removal

- Sweep, vacuum or dust-mop frequently to remove soil particles that can abrade the wear layer.
- Dust Mop treatments are not recommended since these products can transfer and attract soil.
- Do not use vacuums with rotating beater bars on hard surfaces.

Spots and Spills

- All spills should be addressed as quickly as possible to avoid staining and slip/fall hazards.
- Absorb wet spills and if necessary use a neutral pH vinyl cleaner *, and rinse with water.
- Isopropyl Alcohol or mineral spirits can be used for oil/grease (petroleum-based) and/or scuff marks.

Scuff Removal

- Cleaning with an auto scrubber or spray buffing with a spray/buff solutions* using a low (175 rpm) machine and red pad will remove scuff marks. Agitation is the key to remove these marks.
- For floors with finish, use Diversey's Revive Plus SC to minimize scuffing. Apply with mop or auto scrubber.
- Spray buff as necessary to remove scuff marks. Diversey's Snap Back and buff with a red pad to remove scuff marks.

Kitchen Cleaning

- To clean the kitchen floor, use Diversey's SUMA Break Up, Heavy Duty Foaming Grease-Release Cleaner.
- Cleaning the kitchen floor will minimize grease/oil being tracked into the restaurant.

Wet Cleaning

- Always pre-vacuum or dry dust mop before wet cleaning.
- Use neutral pH vinyl cleaner* and follow the manufacturer's instructions for dilution and use.
- Common systems are: 1) mop and two-bucket system, and 2) Automatic scrubbing with white or red pads/ equivalent brushes.
- Rinse the floor with clean water. Repeat the rinse process if necessary to remove all haze
- Do not use brown or black pads/brushes. These pads are too aggressive and can damage the floor.
- **Products containing bleach and steam mops are not recommended.**

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The above guidelines are recommended to maintain LVT, LVP and sheet resilient products. Application of finish is optional in certain applications. Always follow the finish manufacturer's instructions for mixing and method of application. It is also recommended that if finish is applied, additional cleaning products be from the same manufacturer due to compatibility issues. Specialty floors such as sports floors with cushion back, ESD/static-control, and floating floors will have exceptions to the maintenance guidelines. Contact the Information Center or Technical Support at 877.502.7429.

* There are many available cleaning and maintenance products for hard surfaces, especially resilient floors. These products should be evaluated since each location can have different requirements due to the type of soil, performance expectations and available maintenance equipment. Applying finishes will change the original product and the finish becomes the wear layer. The following are suggested products to assist the maintenance program:

- Neutral Cleaners – Diversey's 1) STRIDE® 2) PROMINENCE® Shaw Hard Surface Cleaner
- Spray and Buff - Diversey's SNAPBACK®
- SUMA Break Up- Heavy Duty Foaming Grease Release Cleaner
- Revive Plus SC- minimize scuffing
- Gloss Finish – Diversey's Carefree®
- Diversey Technical phone number: 800 558 2332
- Shield Industries phone number for Shaw Cleaner: 877-209-7309

Suggested Frequency Chart **

Traffic Level	Vacuum/Dust mopping	Spot Removal	Wet mopping/Auto-scrubbing
Moderate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Office area ➤ Secondary hallways 	1 time per Day	As needed	1 + times per week/as needed
Heavy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Common entrances ➤ Food/kitchen areas ➤ Restaurant seating 	1+ times per day	As needed	1+ times per day

**** This chart represents a general guideline; identify and schedule your facility for specific conditions and frequencies.**

