GREATMATS SPECIALTY FLOORING

Pacific Rubber Flooring

Maintenance Instructions

General Precautions

- DO NOT scrub, buff or mop the flooring for at least 72 hours after installation to allow the adhesive to properly cure.
- DO NOT flood the flooring when cleaning and do not allow the cleaning solution or topical moisture to work its way beneath the flooring which can result in an adhesive and/or flooring failure.
- The flooring must be properly cleaned before it is released for normal use.
- If the floor is brand new, it must be swept and vacuumed to remove dirt and other particulates.
- DO NOT use highly alkaline or acidic cleaners.
- DO NOT use sweeping or cleaning agents containing oils or solvents.
- Always check for compatibility and performance prior to cleaning by utilizing uninstalled material or test in an inconspicuous area before proceeding to determine if the desired results can be achieved without distorting or having an adverse effect on the flooring.
- DO NOT heel the scrubbing machine.
- Caution: Some germicides, disinfectants, cleaning agents, floor maintenance products, and pesticides may stain or damage the surface of the flooring; therefore, test the products to ensure they will not stain or damage the flooring. Spills of any type must be removed immediately to help prevent staining or permanent damage.
- The use of floor sealers is not recommended.
- Caution: When wet, the flooring will become slippery; therefore, use the appropriate warning signs on the flooring to eliminate foot or other traffic.

<u>Step #1 – Post-Installation Initial Cleaning</u>

- Thoroughly sweep or dry vacuum the flooring to remove all loose dirt and grit (after 72 hours)
- Prepare a cleaning solution of a neutral Ph cleaner such as Taski Profi (pH of 7-8), with warm water. The dilution selected depends on light to heavy soil conditions and the cleaning product's instructions.
- Scrub the rubber flooring with the cleaning solution as follows: Small area installations: use a deck brush. Large area installations: use a 22 gauge flagged nylon bristle brush on a single disk scrubbing machine.

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- Wet vacuum the cleaning solution.
- Rinse with clean cold water, and then remove all water using a wet vacuum.
- Allow the flooring to dry thoroughly. (Approximately one hour, depending on temperature and humidity) Use oscillating fans to decrease drying times.

Step #2 – Finishing

• Provide sufficient drying time before allowing foot traffic. (Minimum 2 hours) Note: Exposed skate blades will cause the finish to whiten due to the shearing action of the sharp edges of the blades. It is highly recommended that blade guards be used to minimize this effect.

Step #3 - Routine Maintenance

- Sweep or dry vacuum the floor daily when area is in use.
- Scrub using a deck brush or auto scrubber equipped with a 22 gauge flagged nylon bristle brush (Single Disc Machine @ 150 to 300 RPM) and a neutral Ph cleaner such as Taski Profi.
- Use a wet/dry vacuum to remove soiled solution from the floor. Rinsing the floor is not required.

SPECIAL MAINTENANCE CAUTIONS

- Removing Gum: Apply ice on the affected area; carefully remove the frozen gum with a non-metal spatula. Mineral spirits can be used to remove any remaining residue. Hand buff the area with a soft towel.
- Do not use steel wool, strong solvents (Lestoil, Top Job, etc. and similar products), gasoline, turpentine, and acetone.
- Do not use mechanical polishers that exceed 350 RPM.

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