

Alliance Specialty Products

High Performance Polymers

Floor Cleaning, Care, and Maintenance Instructions

Introduction

The following instructions are intended as a guide for the cleaning and maintenance of epoxy flooring. Each flooring situation is unique in one way or another. Accordingly, some of the following instructions may be of more importance to a particular situation than others. It is also possible that some cleaning techniques not listed could be appropriate for a particular situation. If there are additional specific questions, please contact us at (704) 342-1977.

General

Sweep floor as frequently as necessary to remove all loose dirt, debris, solid food, waste, etc. Mop floor as required with a clean mop using a good grade of liquid detergent solution in strength and of type recommended for kitchen service. It is best to avoid cleansers that are heavily chlorinated, acidic, caustic, or abrasive. Products such as Mr. Clean, Top Job, or Spic and Span are often more than adequate to properly clean a floor.

Scrub any difficult to remove grease or soil spots with brush and detergent cleaner. If possible, allow detergent cleaner solution to stay on floor for 5-10 minutes before mopping or brushing, as this will give more time to permit soil to be emulsified and better removed.

CAUTIONS

1. Use only clean mops and change cleaning solutions constantly. The use of dirty mops and dirty cleaning solutions are the biggest single cause of cleaning problems.
2. To help prevent grease build-up, periodically scrub the floor with a maintenance machine which utilizes rotating brush or brushes, e.g. Clarke, Advanced, American Lincoln, Kent. Scrub all bases and other difficult to clean areas with a stiff-bristled hand brush.
3. Avoid hitting the floor with heavy objects such as sharp steel containers. Use caution in dish washing areas to prevent damage from dropping from dropping dish racks with sharp edges. Mount garbage cans on rolling racks to prevent dropping or scraping on floor.
4. Never leave standing water on floor.
5. Clean up all spills immediately and dry the area thoroughly. Clean up oil and grease spots immediately and dry area thoroughly.
6. During and for one hour after washing the entire floor, prohibit access, especially to older persons and children. The use of safety cones is recommended, as well as childproof gates and wet floor warning signs.
7. Inspect the floor several times daily, especially after meals, meal preparation, and dish washing.
8. If the room in which the floor is installed opens onto an outside area, place a non-skid foot-wiping mat outside the door.
9. If a mat or a rug is used anywhere on the floor, make sure it has a non-skid backing.
10. Before walking on the floor in new shoes take care to roughen and abrade the soles and heels.
11. Food, especially produce like lettuce, grapes, etc. will create a tripping hazard. Be alert to such items and pick them up immediately.
12. Never apply any wax to the floor.
13. On wet, rainy, and snowy days be alert to the possible presence of moisture or water on the floor which can create a slipping hazard.
14. Keep the floor well lighted.
15. Wear practical footwear. Extreme styles, especially high heels, can be unstable.