

CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE

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POST INSTALLATION

Rubber materials do not include a protective finish when shipped from the manufacturing facility. It is highly recommended that the newly installed rubber floor be protected using a tarp or other cover until the floor can be cleaned and/or sealed.

INITIAL CLEANING

Do not wash the floor for at least 5 days after installation. An initial cleaning needs to be done to remove any dirt and grit from the job site and prepare the floor prior to applying a sealer or finish. Sealer is not mandatory and its use based on the look the end user would like to achieve. Failure to clean properly will cause finish bonding issues as well as the entrapment of dirt in the floor.

To avoid possible damage to the flooring, **the following should never be used on the floor:**

Steel wool or abrasive brushes

Abrasive or alkaline cleaners

Solvents of any type

The floor should be cleaned with a neutral cleaner such as Kiefer Clean or Taski Profi.

1. Thoroughly sweep or vacuum the floor to remove all loose dirt, dust and debris.
2. Apply a neutral cleaner to the floor with a mop, or more effectively an auto scrubber. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for dilution and dwell time.
3. Use a Wet Vac or mop to remove cleaning solution. (Scrubber will have vacuum system)
4. Rinse floor with clean water. Remove all water with Wet Vac or mop. Allow rubber to dry thoroughly.
5. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for proper application of the floor sealer (if applicable).

Visit the company website at www.kieferfloors.com for recommended floor cleaners and sealers.

REGULAR FLOOR MAINTENANCE

A regular maintenance program is extremely important and will increase the life of the floor and finish. The frequency of cleaning will depend on the amount of traffic on the floor. For general cleaning, a neutral cleaner should be used such as Kiefer Clean / Johnson- Diversey Profi. See the company website www.kieferfloors.com for more information on the recommended floor cleaner products.

1. Thoroughly sweep or vacuum the floor to remove all the loose dirt, dust and debris.
2. Apply a neutral cleaner to the floor with a mop or auto scrubber. Follow manufacturer's instructions for dilution rates and dwell time.
3. Use a Wet Vac or mop (auto scrubber will have squeegee system to remove cleaning solution)
4. Rinse floor with clean, cold water. Remove all water with Wet Vac or mop. Allow rubber floor to dry thoroughly.

Visit www.kieferfloors.com for recommended cleaners and sealers.

******IMPORTANT**** To prevent slip and fall accidents, ALWAYS use a "WET FLOOR" sign when wet rubber flooring has been cleaned and is open to floor traffic.**

RESTORATIVE FLOOR MAINTENANCE

When noticeable accumulation of dirt and other contaminants become embedded in the rubber floor finish, a quality floor stripper such as Kiefer RENEW or Johnson- Diversey Rubber SAFE should be used to remove the existing finish. Areas typically needing to be restored include high traffic walkways, tight or confined spaces, and along baseboards.

After the floor stripper has been applied and removed per the manufacturer's instructions, a neutral cleaner should be applied to the stripped area. See general cleaning instructions on this page.

Once the rubber has been cleaned and allowed to dry, a sealer can be used to restore the finish of the treated area. Recommended finish products are Johnson- Diversey Vision Matte or Betco Hi-Tech floor finish. Follow the directions recommended the finish manufacturer.

Visit www.kieferfloors.com for other maintenance information.

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