

These maintenance guidelines aim to provide basic care instructions for indoor rubber track surfacing like Mondotrack, Sportflex M, Super X 720 and Super X Performance. For optimal results and an extended useful life, we recommend that you personalize your maintenance regimen to meet your facility's individual needs, based on square footage, events & increased traffic, available resources & equipment, etc. Please note that a natural surface break-in period is normal.

### WET MAINTENANCE

**INITIAL WASH.** You will need to thoroughly wash your new rubber track surfacing with the aid of a floor scrubber (fastened with a **non-abrasive cylindrical brush with soft nylon bristles**) to remove any production residue and/or construction dust before you begin using it. The first wash should not be completed until a minimum of 72 hours after the track surfacing has been fully installed. **NOTE: For track surfacing with newly painted lines, be mindful of paint curing times and follow paint manufacturer's recommendations before you scrub the surface; it is recommended to wait a minimum of 10 days prior to using a floor scrubber over newly painted lines.**

**DEEP CLEANING.** Periodic deep cleaning is recommended and can occur a er events, quarterly, during school breaks, annually, etc.; determine what is appropriate for your type of facility and use. Deep cleaning is performed with the aid of a floor scrubber (fastened with a **non-abrasive cylindrical brush with so nylon bristles**). Use of a degreaser, heavy duty cleaner or floor stripper may be prescribed, depending on the overall surface buildup and appearance of the track surfacing. Multiple rinses with fresh water may be required to remove any residue le from use of higher concentration cleaners.

**REGULAR WASHES.** Remove any debris from the surface and thoroughly vacuum the track to eliminate dust/dirt, prior to and after events, or as needed while respecting a minimum of once weekly. Do not allow for debris/dirt to accumulate and stand on the track for extended periods of time. **NOTE: High traffic areas should be vacuumed more frequently; daily vacuuming will minimize dirt build-up.** Perform washes at desired frequency for optimal performance, but no less than once weekly if surface is used regularly. If you perform frequent washes, opt for a specialized daily-formulated floor cleaner that is low foaming, film free and requires little to no rinsing. For optimal results, we recommend that you wash the track surfacing with a floor scrubber (fastened with a **non-abrasive cylindrical brush with nylon bristles**), because traditional mopping may prove to be quite challenging, given the track's heavy surface texture. As needed, use deck brushes with so nylon bristles for spot scrubbing.

### WASHING PROTOCOL

1. Always clean liquid spills as they occur, and immediately remove any debris from the track's surface. Vacuum track surfacing to remove dust/dirt.
2. Put up "wet floor" signs/caution tape/barricades prior to performing wet maintenance.
3. Use a floor scrubber fastened with a non-abrasive cylindrical brush with nylon bristles.
4. Refer to chemical SDS (safety data sheet) for all personal safety requirements. Dilute cleaner per the manufacturer's instructions for the level of soil present. Test dilution rate on a small area to ensure efficiency. Refer to Cleaning Products on page 2.
5. Wet surface with cleaning solution and allow a dwell me of 5-10 minutes if the floor has accumulated dirt. **DO NOT let the surface dry out prior to scrubbing**; rewet as needed. Rubber can be "grabby" and a wet surface is essential for the scrubber to move freely across the track surfacing and to avoid friction burns. Scrub in multiple directions and vacuum up soiled solution.
6. If required for the cleaner used, rinse the surface thoroughly with fresh water to remove any soapy residue; avoid soap film buildup that can trap dust/dirt and encourage the rapid formation of soiling pa erns. Repeat rinsing as needed. Allow surface to fully dry before use.

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 **PRECAUTIONS**

- Do not use steel wool, abrasive brushes or pads (black, brown, etc.) that can damage the track surfacing.
- Do not spot clean with turpentine, gasoline or solvents that can dull or discolor the track surfacing.
- Never tilt a floor machine to dig into stubborn marks/stains, in order to avoid damaging the track surfacing.
- Prolong aesthetics in high traffic areas (e.g. entrances) with protective mats.
- Always use premium “non-staining” mats, runners and rugs (no transferable black carbon chemicals in the backing).
- Fit any furniture/equipment with protective non-staining (pvc or polyethylene) caps, glides, wheels, etc.
- Avoid point loading\*: ensure that heavy equipment feet/wheels are minimum 1-inch wide and flat to the ground.
- Prevent pooling water under or around base of furniture/equipment; do not allow rust to occur and stains to ensue.
- Move heavier objects across the surface with care; use plywood or Masonite to create skids/bridge.
- When resing heavy objects on the track, such as temporary bleachers\*, protect with skid rails, plywood, etc.
- Avoid point loading\*: spread object weight evenly over a given surface to avoid depressions, deformations or damage.
- Keep utility vehicles off the track, in order to avoid oil leaks and/or damages caused by res/pivots.
- Greasy foods/colored beverages spilled onto the track can increase staining/maintenance if left unattended.
- See Mondo Bulletin 11-001\*\*: Sportflex M, Super X 6 & 8 mm are NOT spike resistant.
- Shield track surfacing from continuous direct sunlight/UV exposure (shade/film windows and glass doors).

*\*Mondo will not be held responsible for malfunctioning, improperly calibrated or improperly installed equipment. Always ensure proper functioning and weight distribution of heavy objects/equipment used on the surface, all while respecting the capacity of the rubber track surfacing installed.*

*\*\*Some athletes assume a position at the starting blocks that places their toes on the surface of the track instead of having the complete foot on the face of the blocks. With only a few spikes touching the track's surface, and all of the forward momentum/pressure exerted at the start, the track will wear quicker in those locations and under such conditions.*

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## CLEANING PRODUCTS

If you will be using cleaning products other than those listed below, please perform in-house tests on stock samples or small secluded sections of flooring to determine cleaner suitability and effectiveness. Prior to adopting chemicals, ensure that the track's surface will not be damaged or suffer from reduced aesthetics. In general, use cleaners with a neutral pH (between 7-9) for washes, avoid using cleaning products with a pH above 12 or below 2, and ensure a solvent-free, phosphate-free and phenol-free formula on.

### SUGGESTED CLEANERS

Profi™ Cleaner and Degreaser  
Prominence™ Heavy Duty Cleaner (formulated for daily use)  
TEC® Microbial Rubber Floor Deep Cleaner  
TEC® Microbial Universal Floor Deep Cleaner

### OTHER PRODUCTS

Virex® II 256 Disinfectant  
3M Disinfectant Cleaner RCT Concentrate 40A

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