

Commercial Slip Retardant Sheet Flooring Maintenance Instructions

Following a regular and well-planned maintenance program will ensure a beautiful floor and increase its service life.

Helpful Tips

- Safety Zone sheet is designed for slip retardance, floor polish is not recommended. Most floor polishes will adversely affect the slip-retardant properties of these floors. Safety Zone sheet should not be polished, buffed or burnished.
- Safety Zone sheet should be maintained with scrubbing brushes as machine pads are unable to reach into the textured surface to remove dirt, particles and residues.
- Always use proper safety signage while working, especially during wet maintenance.
- Use walk-off mats at every entrance to help control grit and soil; clean walk-off mats regularly. We recommend mats without latex or rubber backing since these backings can cause permanent discoloration.
- Protect the floor with plywood or Kraft paper during construction and while moving equipment and furniture.
- Select proper non-staining furniture rests and casters; the contact area should be smooth, flat, and firmly on the floor at all times.
- After removing loose dirt and debris, use a damp mop and a properly diluted cleaner for daily maintenance. Do not use an excessive amount of liquid.
- When using disinfectants, always follow manufacturer's instructions for use to avoid slippery conditions and possible discoloration.
- Protect your floor by avoiding the use of brown and black pads, or stiff-bristled, highly abrasive brushes.
- On heat welded seams, apply 1-2 thin, even coat(s) of S-762 Weld Rod Coating Pen; periodic reapplication may improve results.

Preparation

- Newly installed flooring should not be exposed to rolling load traffic for at least 72 hours after installation to allow the adhesive to dry.
- Do not wet wash, machine scrub, or strip the floor for at least five days after installation. Excess moisture can interfere with the adhesive and/or seam treatments.
- When performing wet maintenance, always use proper signage and prohibit traffic until the floor is completely dry.
- Remove any adhesive residue with a clean, white cloth dampened with denatured alcohol.

Using Disinfectant/Germicidal Cleaners

- In applications where germicidal chemicals are routinely used, the floor must be scrubbed with a properly diluted cleaner, like S-485 Commercial Floor Cleaner, before the first application of disinfectant.
- Use a single disk swing machine (300 rpm or less) with a brush equivalent to a 3M® 5300 blue pad.
- Rinse the floor with fresh, clean water and allow the floor to dry.

Sweep & Damp Mop in Areas with Light Soiling

- Sweep, dust mop or vacuum the floor to remove loose dust, dirt, and debris.
- Damp mop the floor with a properly diluted cleaner, like S-485 Commercial Floor Cleaner, on a regular or daily basis.

Machine Scrub for Heavy Soiling and Corrective Cleaning



- When necessary, after sweeping, dust mopping or vacuuming, scrub the floor using a rotary machine or auto scrubber (300 rpm or less) with a properly diluted cleaner.
 - Use a brush equivalent to a 3M® 5100 red pad for a light scrub
 - Use a brush equivalent to a 3M 5300 blue pad or for a deep scrub
- Thoroughly scrub the floor, passing slowly in each direction.
- Floor machine pads are unable to reach into the textured surface to remove dirt particles and residues. Do not use stiff-bristled, highly abrasive brushes. Their use could damage the floor.
- Rinse the floor with fresh, clean water and allow the floor to dry.
- On heat welded seams, apply 1-2 thin, even coat(s) of S-762 Weld Rod Coating Pen; periodic reapplication may improve results.

NOTE: Stripping is the process of removing existing layers of sealer and finish and should only be performed when routine daily/periodic procedures are no longer effective. The use of high-quality maintenance products, such as Armstrong Flooring commercial floor care products, and adherence to a well-planned maintenance program will greatly reduce the need for stripping. Since floor polish is not to be used on Safety Zone sheet stripping will not be required. However, stripper could be used for the removal of heavily embedded soil.

We recommend using the following accessories and equipment as part of a regular and well-planned maintenance program to ensure a beautiful floor and increase its service life.

- Wet mops (microfiber, cotton, synthetic blend)
- Dry mops (microfiber, rayon, polyester, acrylic)
- Polish applicators (optional)



• Use a 3M® 5100 red pad or equivalent brush or pad for a light scrub



• Use a 3M 5300 blue pad or equivalent brush or pad for a deep scrub



• S-485 Commercial Floor Cleaner



• S-495 Commercial Floor Sealer



• S-762 Weld Road Coating Pen

Guidelines for Floor Protection Devices

- The contact area should be smooth, slightly rounded and large enough to distribute the load evenly without damaging the floor.
- Floor contact devices should be manufactured from non-staining materials.
- Felt glides are recommended on smooth, hard surface. They must be kept clean and properly maintained.
- Nylon glides are recommended on heavily embossed or textured surfaces.
- When using rolling casters, we recommend double wheel options. To avoid damage under the casters, use a non-staining chair mat.
- Furniture, appliances, and equipment should be leveled so that all flooring protection devices rest fully and firmly on the floor.



• Slip-Over® Floor Saver from Expanded Technologies



• Flexi-Felt® Sled Base

