

StaticSmart® Pastoral Series ESD Vinyl Sheet

RESILIENT MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

Proper care of your resilient floor will help maintain the appearance and performance of your resilient floor by following recommended preventative, routine and wet cleaning guidelines.

POST CONSTRUCTION CLEANING

- Dry mop floor using a micro fiber mop pad or appropriate floor vacuum to remove dust particulate from the floor.
- Spray neutral pH cleaner, such as **RhinoGuard ESD Neutral Cleaner**, onto the floor over a manageable area (spray mist will dry quickly). Use a micro fiber wet mop pad to mop the floor with cleaner. If pad becomes dirty, be sure to replace the pad with a new micro fiber wet mop pad. Work floor in sections.
- Always rinse the floor with water only by mopping water to remove any remaining residue from the floor. **DO NOT FLOOD THE FLOOR.**

NOTE: In the event dry wall dust/construction dust is mopped with water only, a residue film may appear on the floor after drying. Use the process below to remove the film from the floor.

PROCESS TO REMOVE CONSTRUCTION RESIDUE OR CLOUDY FILM FROM RESILIENT FLOORING

1. Dry mop floor to remove any construction dust or exterior soil tracked onto the flooring. Use micro fiber dry mop pad. If micro fiber dry mop pad gets dirty, replace pad with a clean pad.
2. Spray neutral pH cleaner, such as **RhinoGuard ESD Neutral Cleaner**, onto the floor over a manageable area (spray mist will dry quickly). Work floor in sections. For smooth surface, use a low rpm (175 rpm) buffer with a 3M red pad on flooring with neutral pH cleaner applied to the floor to remove the residue film. (Never Dry Buff).
3. Using a wet micro fiber mop pad, rinse with water only to remove any remaining residue from the flooring. When wet mop pad becomes dirty, be sure to replace the pad with a new micro fiber wet mop pad.
4. Repeat steps #2 and #3, if necessary.

INITIAL MAINTENANCE

- Avoid heavy traffic for 24 hours.
- Use Ram Board temporary floor covering or something similar to protect the floor during construction and renovation. **Do not use tape to secure the floor protection.**
- Proper furniture protection is required to prevent scratching and scuffing of resilient flooring. It is recommended to use industrial strength felt protection.
- Moving heavy objects requires protective barriers to distribute the weight such as plywood (¼" or thicker) or heavy cardboard to prevent damage to the wear layer.
- Remove adhesive residue with a clean white cloth dampened with odorless mineral spirits or isopropyl alcohol.
- Only low moisture or damp mopping is recommended initially, if needed.
- Wait 4 days before normal wet cleaning and/or auto scrubbing the floor.
- Avoid direct sunlight on resilient flooring as it can cause fading and expansion. Use window protection.
- Surface temperature should not reach 140 degrees from sunlight.

PREVENTIVE CARE

- Maintain a clean exterior (parking lots and walk ways) where dirt enters the building.

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PREVENTIVE CARE (cont'd)

- Proper mats should have non-staining backing, use PVC backed matting. Use mats at entranceways, transition areas and special areas such as food service areas/restrooms to confine soil, oil, grease and high moisture areas.
- Entrance mats keep soil and moisture outside. Two matting categories are:
 - 1.) **Soil Removal** – used at exterior entrances to remove soil from shoes
 - 2.) **Absorbent mats** – used inside to minimize moisture
- Mats should cover at least 6 footsteps to capture soil transferring from shoes. Additional matting may be necessary during inclement weather. Include mats in the maintenance program and keep them clean.

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

1. Remove dry soil.

- Sweep, vacuum or dust-mop frequently to remove soil particles that can abrade the wear layer.
- Dust mop treatments are not recommended since these products can transfer and attract soil.
- Do not use vacuums with rotating beater bars on hard surfaces.

2. Promptly address spots and spills.

- All spills should be addressed as quickly as possible to avoid staining and slip/fall hazards.
- Absorb wet spills and if necessary use a neutral pH vinyl cleaner* and rinse with water.
- Isopropyl alcohol can be used for oil/grease (petroleum-based) and/or scuff marks.

3. Remove scuffs.

- Cleaning with an auto scrubber or spray buffing with a spray/buff solutions* using a low (175 rpm) machine and red pad will remove scuff marks. Agitation is the key to remove these marks.
- A tennis ball placed on the end of a stick, such as a broom handle, can be used as a tool to remove scuff marks. This allows you to remove scuffs from a standing position on smaller areas.

WET CLEANING

- Always pre-vacuum or dry dust mop before wet cleaning.
- Use neutral pH vinyl cleaner* and follow the manufacturer's instructions for dilution and use.
- Rinse the floor with clean water. Repeat the rinse process if necessary to remove all haze
- Do not use brown or black pads/brushes. These pads are too aggressive and can damage the floor.
- **Do not apply any type of floor finish or wax after cleaning.**
- Products containing bleach and steam mops **VOID THE WARRANTY.**

NOTE 1: Micro fiber wet mop, mop and two-bucket system, and automatic scrubbing with a red 3M pad/equivalent brushes are typically effective common cleaning tools.

NOTE 2: *There are many available cleaning and maintenance products for Pastoral Series sheet vinyl. These products should be evaluated since facilities can have different requirements due to the type of soil, performance expectations and available maintenance equipment.

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