



## CLEANING & MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES

### INDOOR RUBBER FLOORING SQUARE CUT / GLUE DOWN

*Our decorative rubber products are soft, comfortable, and durable. However, they do show dirt, foot traffic, and scuff marks. Solid colors should only be considered in residential projects or as feature colors (borders, accents, etc.).*

*Adding black flecks and/or multiple colors is recommended to help with appearance retention in commercial projects.*

#### **A) INITIAL CLEANING AFTER INSTALLATION**

When flooring installation is complete, sweep floor to remove any debris, then dry vacuum thoroughly to remove all surface dust and dirt using a high CFM vacuum. Damp mop with a neutral cleaner diluted with warm water; use a microfiber mop. Use a two bucket system and change the water frequently. If floor has been unprotected during construction and an excessive amount of dirt or dust is present, additional cleaning with auto scrubber equipped with a soft nylon brush may be required. An RPM of 185 and brush pressure between 35 and 85 lbs are recommended. See Periodic Cleaning below for details.

**Note:** Inconsistencies or blotchiness in the surface appearance can occur and are a natural result of the manufacturing process. After installation is complete, clean the floor with Ultra One Solution diluted at 3 oz per gallon. Apply the solution using a microfiber or sponge mop and allow 2-3 minutes contact time prior to scrubbing or mopping. This may take a couple of applications to completely remove from the pores of the tile. For daily and routine maintenance dilute 2 oz. per gallon.

#### **B) GENERAL MAINTENANCE**

Typically, Summit International Rubber Flooring requires less maintenance than other types of flooring. Vacuuming then damp mopping with a microfiber mop is the preferred method. Do not use a string mop. Use a two bucket system with a neutral cleaner and change water frequently. Products containing solvents and acids will attack the composite structure of the rubber flooring and cause deterioration. Sealants, waxes, etc. can alter the surface characteristics and appearance. Summit International Flooring **does not** assume any responsibility for damages caused by chemical additives.

#### **1. Non-Sealed Floors - Recommended for: Kaleidoscope, Marathon, Triathlon, EARTH, PRISM, Kidz Kollection, Muscle, Olympic, Opulence, & RUBBERAZZO®**

##### **Daily/Weekly Cleaning:**

- Dry vacuum floor thoroughly.
- Damp mop using a microfiber mop. Use a two bucket system with a neutral cleaner and change water frequently.
- For high traffic locations, a low rpm (185) auto-scrubber with soft nylon brush may be required. Brush pressure between 35 and 85 lbs. is recommended.
- When cleaning equipment/furnishings with disinfectant or excess cleaner does not drip onto the rubber flooring. Strong chemicals may cause the surface to deteriorate.

##### **Periodic Cleaning:**

Follow steps above for weekly cleaning to ensure pre-treat the floor using a neutral cleaner. Clean the floor using a low rpm (185) auto scrubber with soft nylon brush. Brush pressure between 35 and 85 lbs is recommended. If a single disc rotary machine is used, these steps should be taken:

- Mix a neutral cleaner with water in a bucket.

- Use microfiber mop to liberally dampen floor.
- Let solution act for approximately 5 minutes.
- Use scrubber machine with soft nylon brush.
- Pick up slurry with a wet vac or clean mop.
- Use clear water to rinse; change rinse water frequently.
- Remove excess water for quicker drying.

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**2. Sealed Floors - Recommended for: Kaleidoscope, Marathon, Triathlon, EARTH, PRISM, Kidz Kollection, Muscle, Olympic, Opulence, & RUBBERAZZO®**

**Daily/Weekly Cleaning:**

- Dry vacuum or dust mop floor thoroughly;
- Damp mop using a microfiber mop. Use a two bucket system with a neutral cleaner and change water frequently.
- For high traffic locations, a low rpm (185) auto scrubber with soft nylon brush may be required. Brush pressure between 35 and 85 lbs is recommended.
- When cleaning equipment/furnishings with disinfectant or cleaner make sure it does not drip onto the rubber flooring. Strong chemicals may cause the surface to deteriorate.

**Periodic cleaning:**

- Dry vacuum or dust mop floor thoroughly.
- Wet scrub floor with a neutral cleaner. This application is done with an auto scrubber or single disc rotary machine (use red pad or lighter) and wet vacuums.
- Let solution act for approximately 5 minutes and then scrub.
- If using a single disc rotary machine pick up slurry with a wet vac or clean mop.
- Use clear water to rinse; change rinse water frequently.
- Remove excess water for quicker drying.
- Apply 1-2 thin coats of an approved recycled rubber floor sealant using a microfiber mop.
- In certain environments, the floor may become scuffed due to heavy foot traffic and may require more frequent spray buffing with a red or white pad. When spray buffing use an approved recycled rubber floor sealant diluted 50/50 with water.

For high traffic areas, floors may be top scrubbed and recoated as needed.

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