

# HOW TO CLEAN FLOORS WITH MELAMINE

## Purpose

To clean and improve the floor's appearance.

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## Supplies and Equipment

Bucket and Wringer

"Floor Hazard" signs

ETC's Best Rayon Wet Mop\*

Floor machine

Fresh water

ETC's Mela-Kleen® melamine floor pad

\*the mop used in this procedure should be clean and only used for flooding the floor for cleaning.

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## Procedure

1. Prepare to Clean the floor area:
  - b. Pick up any lint or other foreign material.
  - c. Move supplies and equipment into area where floor is being cleaned.
  - d. Place "Floor Hazard" signs at entrances to area if they are not already there.
  - e. Fill one bucket 3/4 full with fresh water.
  
2. Wet the pad carefully before installing on the machine or using by hand.  
CAUTION: Do not attempt to use dry foam pad for mechanical cleaning as it will certainly fall apart.
  
3. Operate the floor machine at the rotation of not more than 400 rpm.  
CAUTION: Do not attempt to use the foam pad on the low power motor floor machines (battery driven in most cases). Foam pad structure holds very tightly the pad to the floor surface, resulting in a very high friction with the surface. It is therefore likely to happen that using the pad of above 16-inch diameter would make the rotating machine head stopping, causing the overloading and damage of electrical motor. It is strongly recommended to use foam pads on mains or strong battery powered machines only.
  
4. Care about the pad cleanliness. Regularly detach the pad from the machine and rinse it well with tap water (as often as required based on the nature and amount of dirt on the floor).
  
5. The working time of one foam pad is being determined by:

- a. Floor type: material, its roughness, porosity, nature and degree of the dirt layers
  - b. Load on the floor pad the machine provides
  - c. Operator should keep the pad continuously damp
6. Remove "Floor Hazard" signs after floor is dry.
  7. Clean mop and buckets.
  8. Store your equipment and supplies.

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**Accomplishment**

By following this procedure, the floor's appearance will be clean and attractive.