

HOW TO SCRUB FLOORS

Purpose

To remove build-up of water resistant soil, black heel marks, or heavy dirt deposits from the floor.

Supplies and Equipment

2 buckets on cart or dolly (one scrub, one rinse)

Wringer

"Floor Hazard" signs

Wet mops (cotton or blend)

Cleaning solution (neutral cleaner)

Fresh water

Squeegee

Scrubbing pads: use either ETC's Monster®, ETC's Green Scrub, or Blue Cleaner pads

Floor machine

Wet/dry vacuum

Procedure

1. Prepare area:

a. Place "Floor Hazard" signs in easy-to-see locations at entrances to area where floor is being scrubbed.

b. Dry dust or vacuum floor.

c. Move furniture. Work around heavy furniture which cannot be moved. Tilt file cabinets and put on blocks.

d. Set equipment in area where work will begin.

Note: In a room, begin scrubbing at the corner farthest from the entrance.

2. Follow instructions printed on cleaning solution and pour into bucket until 3/4 full.

Caution: Do not use stripper or butal cleaners as they will attack floor finish.

Fill second bucket 3/4 full with fresh water.

3. Dip mop into cleaning solution. Wring slightly and apply to an area about 7' X 7". Let stand 2 to 3 minutes.

4. Machine scrub the wet area using either ETC's Green Scrub, Blue Cleaner or ETC's Monster®.

5. Using a squeegee, move the soiled water to a central point. Pick up either with a wet/dry vacuum or mop up with a mop.

6. Repeat procedure in sections 7' X 7' each until entire floor has been scrubbed. Overlap edges of scrubbed surfaces.

7. After floor has been scrubbed, use a mop to apply fresh water to the floor.
 8. Next, squeegee the rinse water to a central point. Then either use a wet/dry vacuum to pick up the rinse water or mop up with a mop.
 9. If needed, apply a coat of finish. Finish need be applied only when worn down in heavy traffic areas.
- Caution:** Too much finish on a floor will require stripping.
10. After the floor dries, replace the furniture.
 11. Clean and dry equipment. Store equipment and supplies.
 12. Hose or flush the scrub pad with hot running water. Hang scrub pad on wall in storage area to dry.
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Accomplishment

By following this procedure the floor will be clean and free of soil and heavy dirt deposits which are water resistant.