



## POWERDEK SPORTS FLOORING

### SPECIFICATION FOR CLEANING

PowerDek rubber flooring is a 100% synthetic rubber floor product, formulated with the finest materials and manufactured with the most advanced process. It has been developed to render long term service, while offering a permanently resilient surface.

In order to receive full value, it is important that proper maintenance procedures are followed.

The following instructions will cover:

- Initial cleaning
- Regular maintenance
- Other information

#### CAUTION:

- *Allow 72 hours for the adhesive to cure prior to the cleaning of the floor. If any adhesive is on the floor it should be removed as soon as possible, before the adhesive starts to cure.*
- *Do not use steel wool or abrasive pads; this will permanently damage the surface. A general dullness may result from the process of removing adhesive from the surface. If the natural luster does not return, the floor may have to be cleaned and an application of floor finish may be necessary.*
- *DO NOT USE STRONG SOLVENT CLEANERS (i.e. Lestoil, Top Job, Pinesol or similar products), GASOLINE, TURPENTINE or ACETONE. THE USE OF THESE PRODUCTS CAN CAUSE PERMANENT DAMAGE.*
- *DO NOT USE SCRUBBING PADS or DISKS.*
- *DO NOT USE BLACK, BROWN, GREEN, or BEIGE PADS.*
- *DO NOT USE HIGH SPEED BUFFING MACHINES OR SCRUBBERS ABOVE 350 RPM.*
- *DO NOT USE HIGH ACRYLICS FINISH MATERIAL.*

#### INITIAL CLEANING (After installation)

1. Allow 72 hours for the adhesive to cure prior to the cleaning of the floor.
2. Sweep and vacuum all surface dirt.
3. Use the OPTI-BRIGHT Rubber Floor Cleaner diluted 7 oz. per gallon of warm water (*this dilution to be used for initial cleaning only*). TASKI PROFI is also an acceptable product, (follow the manufacturer instructions).



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### REGULAR MAINTENANCE

1. Sweep and vacuum all surface dirt.
2. Use the OPTI-BRIGHT Rubber Floor Cleaner (or equivalent product) diluted 3 oz. per gallon of warm water. TASKI PROFI is also an acceptable product, (follow the manufacturer instructions)

### CLEANING PROCEDURE:

Note: To avoid excessive suds, pour cleaner into water rather than adding the water to the cleaner. Apply solution to the floor with either a nylon deck brush or clean rayon mop. Do not use cotton mops.

1. Scrub the area for four to five minutes using a single or double brush, low RPM floor scrubbing machine (under 350 RPM). Use a 22 gauge flagged nylon bristle brush or red buffing pad.
2. Wet vacuum or mop up the solution.
3. Rinse with cold water and vacuum up all rinse water. When an automatic floor cleaning machine with a vacuum is used, it usually will remove the cleaner residue in one rinsing. If removed by the mop method, a second rinsing may be necessary.
  - a) When an automatic dispensing floor cleaning and vacuum machine will be used, proceed as follows:
  - b) Mix solutions as described above.
  - c) Be sure that the brushes are correct, as recommended above.
  - d) Apply solution to the floor with brushes rotating. Leave the cleaning chemical on the floor (do not use the built in vacuum when applying the cleaning chemical).
  - e) After the cleaning chemical has been applied, go over the area with the brushes and vacuum the cleaning chemical from the floor. Once the cleaning chemical has been removed, the brushes and machine should then be cleaned out, removing the soapy water and filling with clear water. Then the floor should be rinsed. When rinsing clean water should be applied to the floor with the brushes and vacuum working in one action.
4. Once the floor has been cleaned and properly rinsed, one of the two following systems should be used to further enhance the appearance of the floor.
  - a) Using the same brushes from the cleaning process (.028 gauge flagged nylon or equal Union Mix), the floor can be dry buffed to achieve a higher luster. It is imperative that the brushes are rinsed and allowed to dry before buffing. (If the dry buff method is selected, it is advisable to have an extra set of brushes to be used exclusively for dry buffing).
  - b) The floor can be finished using TASKI Vision Matte (please follow the manufacturer instructions).



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For small installations or in situations where an automatic floor cleaning machine cannot be used, a nylon boat deck brush can be used to scrub the floor.

Mopping without a brushing action can result in the buildup of material and soap residue, giving the surface a dull appearance. It is important that the Rubber Floor Products be buffed when perfectly cleaned.

If the use of a Floor Finish is desired to obtain a very high gloss and to facilitate daily maintenance, it is very important that all cleaning chemical residue be removed and it may be necessary to double rinse before applying the Floor Finish. The Floor Finish will last for a long period (six months – 1 year). It is recommended that when the finished product starts to wear, the finish should be stripped from the floor. To achieve this, strip using the OPTI-BRIGHT Rubber Floor Cleaner 15 oz per 1 gallon of water, and clean as instructed above. After the floor is rinsed and it has dried, be sure that all old finish has been removed prior to applying a new coat of finish.

Re-clean those areas where any old finish remains before applying the new finish. Apply the floor finish material as instructed on the label. Allow the finish to completely set prior to putting the area back in service.

### **SPOT CLEANING**

- Spray mild solution on the area to be cleaned.
- Wipe clean with a soft, dry cloth.
- Buff area by hand with a clean, soft cloth towel.

### **GUM REMOVAL**

- Spray commercial gum removal solvent on the gum only, or use an ice pack to freeze the gum.
- Remove the gum with a wooden or plastic spatula.
- Remove residue of the gum with mineral spirit.
- Clean area and hand buff with soft cloth or towel.

THESE INSTRUCTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE BEEN PREPARED TO ADVISE AS TO THE PROPER METHODS TO CLEAN YOUR FLOORING PRODUCT. TRACTION SPORTS SURFACING OR THE LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR CANNOT ACCEPT ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE APPLICATION OF THESE INSTRUCTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS IT IS IMPORTANT THAT, PRIOR TO THE ACTUAL CLEANING OR FINISHING OF THE PRODUCT, YOU CALL OUR OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. PROPER MAINTENANCE IS NECESSARY IN ORDER FOR THE LIMITED WEAR WARRANTY TO BE IN EFFECT.