

Johnsonite®

Defiant™ Rubber Floor Tile

Maintenance Instructions

Introduction

Johnsonite rubber flooring is made with 100% Johnsonite rubber. Johnsonite rubber flooring includes properties that help release soil, grit and other contaminants and help maintain Johnsonite sheen over years of service.

A proper and regular maintenance program is important to preserve the flooring.

To support our customers' maintenance program, Johnsonite recommends the use of Taski or Johnson Wax Professional cleaning products. For specific maintenance advice, please contact Taski at 1-800-862-3600 (USA and Canada calls) or Johnson Wax Professional at 1-800-558-2332.

Post Installation Initial Cleaning

The initial cleaning of rubber flooring products is especially important. Job site conditions usually cause grit and dirt to accumulate.

Initial cleaning should not be performed until seventy-two (72) hours after installation.

CLEANING

1. Sweep or vacuum the floor to remove all loose dirt and grit.
2. Prepare a cleaning solution by mixing 8 to 10 oz. of a neutral pH detergent such as TASKI "Profi" or Johnson Wax Professional "Stride Neutral" per gallon of warm water. The dilution selected depends on light to heavy soil conditions
3. Apply the cleaning solution with a nylon or rayon mop, and let stand for 5-15 minutes.
Important: Do not let the solution dry
4. Scrub the rubber flooring products:
 - **Small area installations:** use a deck brush.
 - **Large area installations:** use a 22 gauge nylon bristle brush on a scrubbing machine (Single Disc Machine 150-300 RPM).
5. Remove the cleaning solution using a wet vacuum or mop up.
6. Rinse with clean cold water.
7. Allow the flooring to dry thoroughly.

Routine Maintenance

Grit and dirt are the enemies of attractive, long-lived, rubber flooring products. It is very important to clean rubber flooring at a frequency consistent with the amount and type of traffic. Daily cleaning is recommended.

CLEANING

1. Sweep or vacuum the floor to remove all loose dirt and grit.
2. Spot clean, if necessary, with a neutral cleaning detergent diluted 1-2 oz. per gallon of warm water.
3. Should the entire floor require a deeper overall cleaning, clean as follows:
 - a. Prepare a cleaning solution by mixing 2 to 4 oz. of a neutral pH detergent such as TASKI "Profi" or Johnson Wax Professional "Stride Neutral" per gallon of warm water. The dilution selected depends on light to heavy soil conditions.
 - b. Apply the cleaning solution with a nylon or rayon mop, and let stand for 5 to 15 minutes.
Important: Do not let the solution dry.
 - c. Scrub the rubber flooring products:
 - **Small area installations:** Use a large deck brush
 - **Large area installations:** Use a 22 gauge nylon brush on a machine (Single disc machine 150-300 RPM).
 - d. Remove the cleaning solution using a wet vacuum or mop up.
 - e. Rinse the floor with clean cold water.
 - f. Allow the flooring to dry thoroughly.

Special Maintenance Cautions

Removing Gum: Apply ice on the affected area and carefully remove the frozen gum with a non-metal spatula. Mineral spirits can be used to remove any remaining residue, hand buff the spot with a soft towel. Do not use scrubbing or buffing pads, steel wool, strong solvents (Lestoil, Top Job, etc. and similar products), gasoline, turpentine, and acetone. Do not use mechanical polishers that exceed 350 RPM

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