

How to Clean and Maintain the Latest Floor Coverings



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Introduction

Emerging Trends

- New and Evolving Products
- Large Format
- Digital Printing
- No Restorative Process
- Disposable Flooring
- Sensitive

How to Deal with the Challenges

How to Take Advantage of the Opportunities

Floor Coverings

- Luxury Vinyl Tile (LVT)
- Linoleum
- Rubber (Sheet, Tile, LVT, Crumbles)

Floor Coverings

- Wood
 - Prefinished, Engineered, Solid, Exotics
- Cork
- Bamboo

Floor Coverings

- Stone
- Masonry
- Terrazzo, Concrete

Getting the Information You Need

- Get a Sample
- Get a Copy of the Box Label
- Manufacturer – Tech Support
- Employee Training/Certification

Procedures

- Follow Manufactures Written Specifications
- Apply Topical Finish/Coatings or Not?
- Stripping or Not?
- Burnish or Not?
- Avoid Dry Processes That Generate Heat

Procedures

- Auto-Scrub or Mop
- Cylindrical Brush if Textured/Grained
- No Abrasives
- No Flood

Products & Equipment

- Products/Chemicals (Residue) Mix Properly
- Equipment - Vacuum – Suction Only
- Avoid Dry Rotating Brushes

What You Need to Know

- Installation Specifications - From Manufacturer
- Care and Maintenance Information From Manufacturer
- Warranty Information – From Manufacturer
- Wear Layer Thickness (4 - 20mil.)
- Scratching, Gouges and Indenting

Industry Resources

IICRC Certification Courses

- IICRC.org
 - FCT, SMT, RFMT, WFMT
- Distributors & Manufacturers
- Professional Trainers/Consultants
- Cleaning Industry Management Standard/Green Buildings (CIMS/GB)
- CIMS ICE Professionals & Assessors

Training Cautions

- Hands On (Not Less Than 40%+)
- Diploma Mills
- Who's Certifying the Certifiers
- Marketing vs Science

Closing Comments

Questions

Thank You.

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