



TRANSIT FLOOR COVERINGS

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CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

Congratulations on the purchase and installation of your quality Transit floor tiles! These tiles have been made using a special formulation of PVC, designed to give your floor many years of service. With the regular implementation of these guidelines and simple cleaning routine, you can keep your Transit Tiles looking good for all those years to come.

Depending on the nature of your installation, certain of the suggested weekly maintenance procedures may need to be performed more than once a week, according to the requirements of the area in use.

DAILY

- ✓ Sweep or vacuum the floor on a daily basis to eliminate the dust, grit, sand and dirt.
- ✓ Wipe up any liquid spills with a damp cloth.
- ✓ Although Transit Tiles are impervious to a wide variety of chemicals and petro-chemicals, we recommend cleaning up any such spills as soon as possible rather than leaving them for later cleaning. This is largely from a safety point of view (certain chemicals can be toxic while petro-chemicals can cause the floor to become slippery) but prolonged exposure to strong chemicals could result in damage to your floor.

WEEKLY

Sweep or vacuum the floor as per your daily routine as detailed above.

Afterwards, mop the floor as follows:

- ✓ Fill a bucket with clean, fresh water. You can use warm water if you like – it doesn't make any difference to the tiles, but might be more comfortable for you to work with. Make sure it is not too hot though.
- ✓ Add some gentle liquid soap to the water and mix to create a **mild** soap solution. You can use most readily available household liquid soaps – dishwashing detergent, 'Clean Green', 'Mr Muscle' etc., but try to avoid detergents containing ammonia (Handy Andy, for example) and heavy scourers. NEVER use any products on your floor that contain 'keytone' chemicals; keytones (most commonly occurring is acetone / nail polish remover) WILL damage your tiles.
- ✓ Using a clean mop, soak the mop in your mild soap solution and then **wring out the mop / use a mop press** to remove excess water, leaving the mop damp rather than wet.
- ✓ Mop the floor with the damp mop and return to the bucket to rinse and repeat the procedure.
- ✓ As you proceed, if the area is very large or the floor very dirty, you may need to empty the dirty water from the bucket and replace with fresh, clean mild soap solution.
- ✓ Once the entire floor has been mopped with the damp mop and mild soap solution, it will be necessary to rid the floor of soap residue by rinsing. Empty your bucket, rinse out any dirt residue and fill it once again with clean, fresh water. Remember to also rinse the soap off your mop before returning it to the bucket.
- ✓ Repeat the procedure of mopping the floor with the damp mop, this time using only the clean, fresh water and rinsing the mop as you go.
- ✓ Should there still be signs of soap residue on the floor after the first rinse, it may be necessary to repeat the rinse process a second time, with the thought in mind to perhaps try using a little less detergent next time around.
- ✓ Once completed, allow the floor to air dry if possible before reopening the floor for use.

THINGS NOT TO DO!

- ✗ Do not use a soaking wet mop / empty the bucket / pour water onto the floor! Depending on the adhesive used, this could compromise the adhesive layer beneath your tiles and cause them to start lifting over time. Accidents do happen though, so if you knock over the bucket by mistake don't panic – your tiles are more than tough enough to handle life's little knocks, just try to mop up the spill as quickly as possible.
- ✗ Do not use keytones, acetone, thinners or other neat, harsh chemicals on the floor – firstly, you should never need to but secondly these could not only harm your floor, but more importantly also cause harm to yourself!

We are here to help and it is our pleasure and service to do so; if you have any problem that isn't resolved through your normal cleaning routine please contact us and ask for advice first, rather than using an incorrect product which could result in an even bigger problem than the one with which you started. Any queries can be directed to Jonathan on 083 222 6321 or info@transittiles.com