

Tips for Successful Maintenance of Altro High Performance Safety Flooring

- 1. Develop a regular cleaning programme suited to the usage and traffic of the area** - heavily trafficked or highly visible areas need to be cleaned more often than areas which are seldom used, or where appearance is less important.

The best and most cost effective method of cleaning Altro safety flooring is by machine.

Care should be taken to select the correct pad: medium pads for Altro safety flooring. For Altro Marine 20, use nylon or polypropylene brushes.

Do remember that dirty equipment, particularly mops, does not clean but merely redistributes the dirt.
- 2. Use recommended cleaning chemicals** - use only recommended cleaning liquids or their equivalent in the correct concentration. Do not mix cleaning liquids, and always follow the manufacturer's instructions.

Always check the suitability of cleaners for use on vinyl floors. Do not use cleaner containing pine oil.
- 3. Remove scuff marks regularly** - to remove any rubber heel marks by abrasion use the correct machine pad, or scrub by hand, using scouring powder. For areas requiring renovation due to neglect or heavy soiling consult Altro Technical Services.
- 4. Protect newly laid floors** – all newly laid safety floor surfaces should be covered and protected from all other trades during the contract with a suitable non-staining protective covering.

General Notes Concerning Staining

Some materials are known to cause staining on vinyl floors. Typical examples include:

- Asphalt and bitumen materials
- Cardboard/Hardboard (wet)
- Transfer of some fire treatments and maintenance materials used on carpets
- Dyes from printed literature or packaging
- Rubber-backed carpets and rubber mats
- Rubber furniture rests and trolley wheels
- Shoe soles not made from non-staining materials
- Heat degradation
- Some chemicals used in cleaners e.g. pine oil
- Poster paints and powder paints

High quality cleaning chemicals and equipment ensure efficient maintenance and represent only a small proportion of maintenance costs. The following suppliers offer excellent products:

Cleaning Agents and Polishes	Machines and Equipment
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