

Floor Finishing & Cleaning

Of all the rental equipment on the market, none is less intimidating than a floor cleaning machine. You can easily achieve the desired results without hardship and aggravation.

Floor Cleaning made Easy!

Hardware Floor Cleaning

Operators will need a floor machine, drive pad holder, lamb wool bonnet, paste wax, and a dust mop.

- 1) Completely dust mop the floor.
- 2) Wipe up spills with a dry cloth, or paper towel. Use a slightly damp cloth for sticky spills,
- 3) To apply paste wax, attach the pad holder to the machine. Apply a tablespoon amount of wax to 4 sections of the white polish pad. Turn machine on and work the machine in a forward/back motion spreading out the wax to a thin coat. Allow 5 minutes for the wax to dry, Turn the white pad over to clean side and buff.

Helpful Hints

- 1) When the floor looks dull, try buffing first to see if that will restore luster before rewaxing
- 2) When heavy traffic areas no longer respond to buffing, wax only those areas and buff the entire floor to an even luster.

Stripping Procedure

Operators will need a floor machine, drive pad holder, black strip pad, broom or dust mop, wax remover or stripping solution, small black pad, two mops, and a bucket and wringer.

- 1) Use a broom or dust mop to sweep floor area to be stripped.
- 2) Mix stripping solution according to the label instructions
- 3) Dip the mop in the solution and apply to the floor over a 6 x 6 area. Apply along the Baseboard edges first or where there is a wax or dirt buildup.
- 4) Let the solution stand for 5 minutes, scrub using the floor machine with the black pad. Use the small black pad to get into corners.
- 5) Remove the dirty solution with a mop or wet/dry vacuum. Do not allow the stripping solution to dry on the floor.
- 6) Repeat steps 3 - 5 until the entire floor is stripped.
- 7) Rinse floor area twice with clean water and mop
- 8) Allow area to dry before applying the new finish.

Precautions

- Do not flood the floor area or allow the solution to dry

- Use a Clean mop for the final rinse
- Change rinse water frequently
- Use a damp cloth to wipe off any splashes on walls or furniture.

Refinishing Floors

You will need a floor machine, pad holder, white pads, floor finish liquid, clean string mop, bucket and wringer, and a disposable plastic bag.

- 1) Place disposable bag inside the bucket with wringer. This will protect floor finish from being contaminated with leftover residue from the stripper.
- 2) Pour a quart size container of finish into the disposable bag. The amount of finish depends on the size of the floor.
- 3) Dip the mop tip into the finish, then wring out lightly.
- 4) Apply finish in thin, even coats.. Apply the first coat around the edges and cover the remaining area in an east-west direction.
- 5) Allow finish to dry at least 20 minutes.
- 6) Apply the second coat one tile width out from the edge. This coat should go on in a north-south direction.
- 7) Additional coats can be applied to the desired finish.
- 8) Allow 24 hours to pass before buffing.
- 9) Buff the floor to an even shine with the buffer and white pads.