



MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS FOR POLISHED CONCRETE FLOORS

Thank you for choosing a polished concrete floor. With proper care and minimal maintenance you can expect a long life out of this very durable system.

FACTS ABOUT POLISHED CONCRETE

- Polished concrete floors are very durable; however, they are not impervious to scratches, “chip outs”, or staining. This is a finished floor system and must be treated as such.
- It is essential that the floor be kept clean. Dirt and other contaminants on a polished concrete floor will act as sandpaper and will diminish the floor’s appearance.
- Walk-off floor mats placed at entrances help alleviate salts and dirt being introduced onto the surface. Walk-off mats should be maintained and kept clean.
- Rain water can be acidic (acid rain), and can etch a polished concrete floor.

TYPES OF SPILLS/STAINS

- Reactive Spills – These are acidic spills (i.e. orange juice) that will etch the surface of the polished floor if not cleaned in a timely manner. If the acidic level of a product is high the floor could be instantly etched.
- Penetrating Spills – (i.e. red wine; oil) These spills attach to the concrete pores and leave a dark or colored spot. This can be minimized if cleaned in a timely manner. If these spills are left on the surface they can penetrate concrete and leave behind discoloration.

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

The cleaning schedule for each establishment will vary depending on foot traffic. These general guidelines will help in determining a proper maintenance schedule.

DO NOT apply sealers or waxes.

GENERAL SCHEDULE

- Dust mop floors daily. Untreated Micro-Fiber dust mops work best. If a dust mop is not available, we recommend a soft bristled broom.
- Mop floors with recommended cleaner at least one time per week. Establishments with heavy traffic will want to mop floors daily.
 - 1) The use of improper cleaners can start to diminish the shine on your polished floor.
- For large commercial settings an autoscrubber or buffing machine are recommended for cleaning.
 - 1) Only soft bristled brushes, TWISTERTM PADS, or white buffing pads may be used on such equipment.
 - 2) The use of aggressive cleaning pads will start to scuff the surface and diminish the shine of your polished floor.

ALL EQUIPMENT NEEDS TO BE CLEAN AND IN PROPER WORKING CONDITION TO PREVENT ANY DAMAGE TO YOUR FLOOR.

RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS - Order from Polished Concrete Plus (320) 257-9650

- TWISTERTM CLEANER
- TWISTERTM PAD
- LS KLEAN
- Surelock Rejuvenating Cleaner

REPOLISHING

- If your polished floor loses its shine due to improper cleaning, high traffic volumes, or other circumstances we can repolish or burnish your floor to bring back the original shine. Call our office for a review of your floor and what we recommend would be best for your situation.



RECOMMENDED MOPPING PROCEDURE – ONE TIME PER WEEK

- Pick up any large debris from surface of floor.
(Performed daily for any noticeable debris)

- Dust mop floor.
(Dust mopping will pick up fine particles that may be missed by a broom. Use a soft bristled broom if a dust mop is not available)

- Damp mop with recommended cleaners.
(Use water if recommended cleaners are not available)
 - 1) Submerge mop head into water; ring out mop leaving it slightly damp.
 - 2) Damp mop floor to remove remainder of surface debris. This helps keep the water clean in the following step.
 - 3) Allow floor to dry.

- Wet Mop with recommended cleaner. (Use a lot of water)
 - 1) Submerge mop head into water, **without** ringing out the mop head scrub the floor.
 - 2) Once you have scrubbed an area, pick up water and move to next section.
 - 3) Change out water as needed. If water is dirty you will be scrubbing dirt onto your floor and will not be picking up any dirt from your floor.
 - 4) The use of large amounts of water mixed with recommended cleaner in this step allows dirt to be lifted from the polished concrete.
 - 5) Allow floor to dry.

- Light Damp mop with water only
(Perform this step if water residue was left on surface from Wet Mop)
 - 1) Submerge mop head into water; ring out mop to make it as dry as possible.
 - 2) This step will remove all remaining residue from the surface.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your polished concrete floor, please contact us.

Company

Customer Signature / Date

Polished Concrete Plus Representative/Date

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