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From Ride-On Floor Machines For Large-Scale Industrial & Heavy-Duty Floor Cleaning To Residential Floor Cleaning With Brooms & Mops. Cleaning Carpets Mats & Rugs, Cleaning Hardwood Floors, Cleaning Stone Floors & Concrete Floors, Cleaning Synthetic Floors... Whatever Your Flooring Size Or Type, Find Advice On Choosing The Optimum Floor Cleaning Equipment & Supplies To Efficiently Clean & Maintain Your Floor In Perfect Condition.

THE DOBMEIER 3-STEP PROFESSIONAL FLOOR CLEANING GUIDE - OVERVIEW

STEP 1 - 4 Classes Of Flooring Materials:

1. ***Cleaning Carpeting, Mats, & Rugs*** made from natural fibers, synthetic fibers, or blends
2. ***Cleaning Hardwood Floors*** including Planks, Parquet, & Engineered Hardwood Floors
3. ***Cleaning Stone Floors*** including many types of Natural Stone & Man-Made Stone Floors
4. ***Cleaning Synthetic Floors*** including Asphalt, Linoleum, Rubber, Vinyl … tile & sheet flooring

STEP 2 - Floor Cleaning Equipment For 3 Cleaning Methodologies:

1. ***Manual Floor Cleaning*** - Floor Cleaning Advice For Residential & *Lightly-Used, Relatively Small-Area,* Floor Cleaning Applications, Using Hand Brooms, Mops, Buckets…
2. ***Wide Area Floor Cleaning*** – Advice For Cleaning Floors With Walk-Behind Or Ride-On Commercial Floor Cleaning Machines On All Types Of Commercial, Institutional & Industrial Flooring
3. ***Specialized Floor Cleaning*** – Heavy-Duty Floor Cleaning In Manufacturing Operations, Degreasing Automotive Shop Floors, Industrial Plant Floors…, Disinfecting Floors For Food Service, Schools, Healthcare…, Cleaning Stairwells, etc.

Windsor Chariot Floor Machines

STEP 3 - Floor Cleaning Supplies For 3 Scenarios:

1. ***Light-Duty Cleaning Products*** (Simple Detergents & Household Chemicals May Be Effective For Many Residential Floor Cleaning Scenarios On Lightly-Used, Small-Area, Floors Subjected To Low Traffic & Wear)
2. ***Commercial Floor Cleaning Equipment & Chemicals*** (Powerful Floor Strippers, Detergents, Disinfectants, Floor Finishes & Protectants…) For Increased Efficiency, Improved Floor Cleaning Performance, Enhanced Floor Finish Durability, & Reduced Floor Maintenance On Commercial, Industrial, & Institutional Floors
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INTRODUCING THE DOBMEIER PROFESSIONAL FLOOR CLEANING GUIDE

The flooring in our homes and buildings has to provide ongoing service under continual bombardment from dirt, dust & dander, pollen, scuffing, spillage & stains... Despite this ceaseless abuse, we expect our floors to remain clean and well-maintained – and an entire *floor maintenance industry* has developed to provide us with state-of-the-art **floor cleaning equipment & accessories** and **floor cleaning supplies** that can help us to more effectively keep our floors looking attractive and extend their service life over many years.

With so many flooring materials now available, employed in so many widely differing applications, our choice of available floor cleaning equipment, accessories, and supplies seems to be growing exponentially. Little wonder that most homeowners, building custodians, and even floor cleaning professionals, find it practically impossible to stay fully informed and make the current optimum purchasing decisions when deciding how best to maintain their floors.

The Dobmeier Professional Floor Cleaning Guide has been compiled by the floor cleaning experts at ***Dobmeier Janitorial Equipment & Supplies Outlet*** to help You select and buy Your optimum floor cleaning equipment, accessories, & supplies to efficiently clean and maintain Your flooring.

Just like our online **Floor Cleaning Equipment, Accessories, Parts, & Supplies Discount Catalog**, ***The Dobmeier Professional Floor Cleaning Guide*** is regularly updated to make you aware of the latest developments that can benefit you – so make sure that you are reading our most current edition:
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EFFECTIVELY CLEANING & EFFICIENTLY MAINTAINING YOUR FLOORS

Our buildings are typically furnished with many different flooring materials, often including different types of carpeting and matting, hardwood floors, various types of stone or ceramic tile floors, and synthetic flooring such as asphalt, linoleum, vinyl, or rubber.

Despite the rapid pace of development in floor cleaning technology, there is still no single best floor cleaning solution that will work optimally in every case. So You still need to use a wide variety of tools, supplies and techniques if you want to maintain your flooring in top condition.

To most efficiently clean and maintain your entire area of flooring you not only need to have the optimum types of floor cleaning equipment, fitted with the right types of accessories. You also need to carefully select the right type of floor cleaning supplies – for compatibility with both your flooring type and the specific type of floor cleaning machine that you are using.

3M Scotch-Brite Purple Diamond Floor Machine Pads

THE DOBMEIER 3-STEP GUIDE TO SELECTING YOUR OPTIMUM FLOOR CLEANING EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES

An overview of the key factors you need to consider when purchasing floor cleaning equipment, accessories, and supplies, presented in 3 Simple Steps:

STEP 1 - Identify The Specific Type Of Flooring Materials (& Their Surface Finish) In Your Building:

Flooring Material Classes Table see page 5 of this guide
SECTION 1 – **Cleaning Carpeted Floors, Mats, & Rugs** see page 7 of this guide
SECTION 2 – **Cleaning Hardwood Floors** see page 13 of this guide
SECTION 3 – **Cleaning Stone Floors** see page 15 of this guide
SECTION 4 – **Cleaning Synthetic Floors** see page 17 of this guide

STEP 2 - Define Your Most Relevant Floor Cleaning Methodology:

- *Manual Floor Cleaning Methods* (Residential, small-scale, light-duty)
- *Janitorial Floor Cleaning Equipment & Chemicals* (to efficiently achieve professional floor cleaning results in Commercial, Institutional, & Industrial)
- *Specialized Floor Cleaning (Examples: Heavy-Duty De-Greasing For Industry / Automotive Shops, Antiviral Cleaning for Healthcare, Disinfecting for Food Service / Schools / Healthcare, Cleaning Stairwells…)*

STEP 3 - Identify Your Optimum Cleaning Supplies:

- *Light-Duty Cleaning Products* (Household Cleaning Chemicals)
- *Commercial Floor Cleaning Chemicals* (Powerful Strippers, Detergents, Disinfectants, Finishes, Protectants… For Efficient Janitorial Cleaning & Reduced Maintenance of Commercial, Institutional, & Industrial Floors)
- *Green Floor Cleaning Supplies* (efficient Commercial, Industrial, Institutional, & Residential Floor Cleaning with Lower Environmental Impact)

Windsor Storm Series Floor Cleaning Machine

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DOBMEIER PROFESSIONAL FLOOR CLEANING GUIDE – FLOORING MATERIALS

The optimum floor cleaning equipment, supplies, and techniques that will be required to clean and maintain your floor depend upon the specific *Type Of Flooring Material* that it is made from and often also the particular *Surface Finish* that it has. ***Identify Your flooring material & finish type below:***

4 CLASSES OF FLOORING MATERIALS

Class 1. Floor Carpets, Mats & Rugs:

Use & Fiber Type	***Material***
Indoor Natural Fibers	Wool
Indoor Natural Fibers	Cotton
Indoor Natural Fibers	Sisal
Indoor Natural Fibers	Jute
Indoor Natural Fibers	Seagrass
Indoor Natural Fibers	Bamboo
Indoor Natural Fibers	Silk
Indoor Natural Fibers	Sheepskin
Indoor Synthetic Fibers	Nylon
Indoor Synthetic Fibers	Viscose
Indoor Synthetic Fibers	Rayon
Indoor Synthetic Fibers	Acrylic
Indoor Synthetic Fibers	Polypropylene
Indoor Synthetic Fibers	Bulk Continuous Filament
Indoor Synthetic Fibers	Blended
Outdoor Natural Fibers	
Outdoor Synthetic Fibers	

Class 2. Hardwood Flooring:

Hardwood Form	***Surface Finish***
Hardwood Plank Floors	Polyurethane
Engineered Wood Floors	Polyurethane
Parquet Hardwood Floors	Polyurethane
Hardwood Plank Floors	Varnish
Engineered Wood Floors	Varnish
Parquet Hardwood Floors	Varnish
Hardwood Plank Floors	Shellac
Engineered Wood Floors	Shellac
Parquet Hardwood Floors	Shellac
Hardwood Plank Floors	Lacquer
Engineered Wood Floors	Lacquer
Parquet Hardwood Floors	Lacquer

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Class 3. Stone Floors:

3.1. Natural Stone Flooring Products

Stone Type	***Surface Finish***
Marble Floors	Sealed
Marble Floors	Unsealed
Granite Floors	Sealed
Granite Floors	Unsealed
Travertine Floors	Sealed
Travertine Floors	Unsealed
Flagstone Floors	Sealed
Flagstone Floors	Unsealed
Slate Floors	Sealed
Slate Floors	Unsealed

3.2. Man Made Stone Flooring Products

Stone Type	***Surface Finish***
Ceramic Tile Floors	Glazed
Ceramic Tile Floors	Unglazed
Clay Bricks Floors	Sealed
Clay Bricks Floors	Unsealed
Brick Tile Floors	Sealed
Brick Tile Floors	Unsealed
Quarry Tile Floors	Sealed
Quarry Tile Floors	Unsealed
Terrazzo Cement Bonded	Sealed
Terrazzo Cement Bonded	Unsealed
Terrazzo Urethane Bonded	Sealed
Terrazzo Epoxy Bonded	Sealed
Poured Concrete Floors	Sealed
Poured Concrete Floors	Unsealed
Poured Concrete Floors	Painted

Class 4. Synthetic Flooring:

Floor Type	***Surface Form***
Asphalt Tile Floors	
Linoleum Sheet Floors	
Solid Vinyl Tile Floors	
Vinyl Sheet Floors	
No Wax Vinyl Sheet Floors	
Rubber Tile / Sheet Floors	Smooth
Rubber Tile / Sheet Floors	Textured
Rubber Tile / Sheet Floors	Studded
Rubber Tile / Sheet Floors	Porous

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DOBMEIER FLOOR CLEANING GUIDE
SECTION 1. CLEANING CARPETED FLOORS, MATS & RUGS

STEP 1 – IDENTIFY YOUR FLOOR COVERING

Carpets, Mats, & Rugs can be designed for indoor or outdoor use and may be made from a variety of fibers:
1.1. NATURAL FIBER FLOOR COVERINGS are made natural fibers derived from either *Animals* or *Plants*
1.2. SYNTHETIC FIBER FLOOR COVERINGS are made from man-made fibers
BLENDED FLOOR COVERINGS may be made from various combinations of Natural and/or Synthetic Fibers

These different types of fibers require varying cleaning procedures and chemicals. Additionally, there is a range of strategies for dealing with different carpet cleaning scenarios: *Contained soiling, spills, and stains* are typically best removed using ***Carpet Spotters*** that may be designed for all-purpose cleaning or may be designed to remove specific contaminants such as ink, gum, oil/grease, tar etc. *General Area carpet soiling* is usually best dealt with using ***Carpet Shampoos***, or for heavy-duty cleaning ***Carpet Extractors***. Specialty products are also available to ***De-odorize, Sanitize*** and ***Protect*** carpets.

1.1. NATURAL FIBER FLOOR COVERINGS

Silk Fibers obtained from silkworm cocoons, are very expensive but they display a high luster. Silk is sometimes used alone, or more often blended with wool to produce very high quality Persian and Oriental rugs. Silk-containing rugs require specialist cleaning attention.
Wool Fibers obtained from sheep, goats, alpaca or llama are typically used in high quality carpets & rugs. Wool is easily dyed to allow a wide range of colors, and wool rugs are endowed with excellent durability and a natural resistance to dust-mite population.
Cotton Fibers are widely applied in floor coverings due to their ability to be easily dyed, their good durability, and their relatively low cost (compared to wool). ***Cotton/Wool Blends*** are also popular, costing less than pure wool carpets but also being less durable.
Sisal Fibers are derived from plant leaves and are spun into yarn to make durable mats and rugs that are inexpensive and are naturally anti-static.
Jute Fibers & ***Seagrass Fibers*** are derived from plant stems that make durable and attractive rugs and mats.
Bamboo Fibers are obtained from the woody stems of the bamboo plant and they confer excellent durability on relatively low-cost rugs and mats that are often used in high traffic areas.
Sheepskin Rugs and other animal skin rugs make unique designer floorcoverings.

1.2. SYNTHETIC FIBER FLOOR COVERINGS

Nylon Carpets & Rugs are available in a wide range of colors. They are relatively inexpensive, hard-wearing easily cleaned and may be used indoors or outdoors in high traffic areas.
Rayon & ***Viscose*** are both relatively inexpensive synthetic materials that look and feel like silk. They are often blended with other synthetic fibers to make attractive carpets & rugs.
Acrylic Fibers are often blended with other synthetic fibers to produce relatively inexpensive carpets and rugs that look and feel like wool.
Polypropylene Fibers are intrinsically strong, lightweight, mildew-resistant, and easy to clean. They make low-cost rugs that can be manufactured to look and feel like wool
Bulk Continuous Filaments are synthetic yarns that have been mechanically fluffed

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CLEANING CARPETS RUGS & MATS – STEP 2 SELECT THE OPTIMUM METHODOLOGY & EQUIPMENT

VACUUM CLEANING CARPETS, RUGS, & MATS

Always vacuum clean your carpets, rugs, and mats thoroughly before attempting to clean out dirt and stains with a spotter, shampoo carpet cleaner, or extractor. There is a very wide selection of residential and commercial vacuum cleaners to choose from, so make sure that You choose the right vacuum cleaner for the job.

For *Cut-Pile Rugs & Carpets*, having a smooth flat pile surface, use a vacuum cleaner with a beater bar to allow removal of dust and other soil particles from deeper within the pile. It is important that the beater bar height is set correctly to lightly vibrate the carpet pile without causing damage to the rug surface or vacuum cleaner. Avoid getting fringes caught in the beater bar.

For some *Looped-Pile Rugs & Carpets*, you may need to avoid using a beater bar in order not to damage the loops. If you have any doubts ask for advice at the store where you bought your loop-pile rug or carpeting.
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Clarke *Carpetmaster Commercial Upright Vacuum Cleaners*

JANITORIAL CARPET CLEANING USING SPOTTER MACHINES

Janitorial Spotter Machines are the most efficient way to frequently remove tough stains and spills that are contained in small areas of your carpet. You need to choose exactly the right type, or combination of, spotter chemicals to apply to the stain. Residential spotter chemicals do not require a spotter machine (see Step 3 on page 9). For Janitorial applications, ***Diversey*** and ***Triple S*** both offer a comprehensive range of ***Spotter Chemicals*** for removing localized stains from all types of carpets and rugs. If possible you should identify the type of stain and apply the suggested spotters in the order as shown in the charts on page 10 or 11. If you cannot identify the stain type use a general spotter and follow the manufacturers instructions as provided in the charts. (Also see the **Dobmeier Stain Removal Guide**).
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Discount Carpet Spotter Supplies Catalog

SSS Triple S
Power Spotter 4
Spotting Machine

JANITORIAL BONNET CLEANING VERSUS CARPET SHAMPOOING

SSS Triple S *Cleaning Supplies*

In ***Bonnet Cleaning*** only the top outer layer of the carpet is cleaned so that it can dry quickly. The carpet is sprayed with carpet cleaning detergent and a *bonnet pad*, used on a standard speed rotary floor buffer, buffs dirt from the top of the carpet pile. ***Diversey Bonnet Buff*** cleans carpet surfaces effectively and does not cause re-soiling.

Carpet Cleaning Shampoo can be used with rotary brush or dry foam machines to clean deeper into your carpet pile. When applying the shampoo with a brush and a standard speed rotary floor buffer machine the brushing action foams the shampoo into the carpet pile. Dry foam machines generate the foam internally. Unlike many carpet shampoos, ***Diversey Carpet Shampoo*** leaves no sticky residue which would otherwise lead to rapid carpet re-soiling.
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HEAVY-DUTY JANITORIAL CARPET CLEANING WITH EXTRACTORS & PRE-SPRAYING

Windsor Voyager Duo *Carpet Extractor*

A ***Carpet Extractor*** uses a pump to force carpet cleaning detergent deep into the carpet pile and then pulls it back out, with entrained dirt and soil, by using powerful vacuum extraction motors.

Self-Contained Carpet Extractors pump in detergent, additionally brush the carpet to loosen dirt and stains, and then suck out the liquid and entrained dirt. ***Diversey Extraction Cleaner*** is formulated to work with modern high pressure carpet extractors and contains corrosion inhibitors to protect your extraction machine.

Heavy-Duty Pre-Spraying can be used to loosen dirt or stains in heavily soiled carpets prior to brushing with a rotary floor buffer and brush. Finally, the carpet should be rinsed and extracted using a carpet extractor. ***Diversey Heavy Duty Prespray Plus*** is a pH neutral cleaner containing soil repellent to reduce re-soiling, and ***Diversey Extraction Rinse*** flushes out and removes detergent residues that cause re-soiling..
Discount Carpet Extractor Equipment Catalog
Dicount Carpet Extractor Supplies Catalog

STEP 3 – CHOOSE YOUR OPTIMUM CARPET CLEANING CHEMICALS

For Residential Use - Dobmeier offers a ***Laundry Spotter Kit*** that is ideal for safely removing stains from Laundry, Upholstery & Drapes, as well as most types of Carpets, Rugs & Mats.

For Janitorial Carpet Cleaning - Diversey offers a line of Hydrogen Peroxide Cleaners including ***Alpha-HP Multi-Surface Cleaner***, ***Alpha-HP Fragrance Free***, and also ***Hydrox General Purpose Cleaner***, for use as a general purpose carpet pre-spay, spotter, and extraction. Also available are ***Diversey Carpet Sanitizer*** for healthcare or educational facilities, ***Deodorizer Liquid*** and ***Deodorizer Powder***, and ***Carpet Protector*** that protects carpets against oil and water-based stains.

TRIPLE S SOIL & STAIN BLOCKING SYSTEM FOR CARPETS

SSS Triple S offers a range of carpet cleaning chemicals containing ***Dupont*** *Zonyl* Soil Protectant and *Zelan* Stain Protectant: *Zonyl* reduces re-soiling rates by forming a protective barrier around your carpet fibers that prevents residues from bonding *Zelan* reacts with dye sites on your carpet fibers to prevent contaminating dyes spillages from bonding with them

Triple S Carpet Care Products that include Zonyl and Zelan include:

- **SSS Triple S *Fiber-All*** - Concentrated Extraction Cleaner
- **SSS Triple S *New Concept*** - Ultra-Concentrated Extraction Cleaner
- **SSS Triple S *Extended Care*** - Soil Resistant Multi-Use Cleaner
- **SSS Triple S *Carpet Rinse Plus*** - Rinse and Neutralizer
- **SSS Triple S *Automatic Shampoo*** - Carpet & Upholstery Shampoo
- **SSS Triple S *Carpet Protector*** - Stain Resistant Treatment
- **SSS Triple S Bio-Enzymatic Spotter** - Multi-Enzyme All Purpose Spotter

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Diversey Professional Carpet Stain Removal Spotter Guide

Percolator and ***General Purpose Spotter*** are effective on a wide variety of spots and stains. If spots remain after its use, follow the recommendations outlined on the Stain Chart. First, identify the stain/spot on the chart below, then apply spotters in the order shown on the chart: 1 is the first product, followed by product 2 etc. until the spot is gone.

Stain Chart	*Percolator*	*General Purpose Spotter*	*P.O.G. Spotter*	*Citrus Express Gel*	*Tannin Stain Remover*	*Delible Ink Remover*	*Red Juice Remover*	*Gum Remover*	*Protein Spotter*	*Min Moisture Method*	*Stench & Stain Digester*	*Water Rinse*
Adhesive			1	1						(see "Carpet Care Tips" to the right for more info)		2
Asphalt/Tar			1	1								2
Blood*	1	1							2			3
Butter	1	1							2			3
Soot	1	1										2
Catsup/Tomato Sauce	1	1			2		3					4
Chocolate	1	1			2							3
Coffee/Tea	1	1			2							3
Crayon			1	1		2						3
Excrement	2	2							3		1	4
Fruit Juice	1	1			2		3					4
Furniture Polish	1	1	2	2								3
Glue – Solvent			1	1								2
Glue – White	1	1										2
Grease / Oil	1	1	2	2								3
Gum			2	2				1				3
Hand Lotion	1	1	2	2								3
Inks	1	1				2						3
Lipstick	1	1	2	2								3
Liquor	1	1			2		3					4
Marker	1	1				2						3
Mascara	1	1	2	2								3
Milk Products	2	2							3		1	4
Mud	1	1										2
Mustard (if fresh)	1	1			2							3
Nail Polish			1	1								2
Paint – Latex			1	1								2
Paint – Oil Base			1	1								2
Red Juice	1	1					2					3
Rubber Cement			1	1								2
Salad Dressing	2	2							3		1	4
Shoe Polish	1	1	2	2								3
Soft Drinks	1	1			2							3
Tone											1	2
Urine	2	2			3				4		1	5
Vomit	2	2							3		1	4
Water Stain	1	1										2
Wax – Candle			2	2				1				3
Wine – Red & White	1	1			2		3					4
Unknown Stains	**1**	**1**	**3**	**3**	**2**							

CARPET STAIN REMOVAL:

General Stain Removal Rules:
Identify stain and use appropriate spotter(s). If stain cannot be identified, use ***General Purpose Spotter*** or ***Percolator***. If stain remains, use ***Paint, Oil & Grease Spotter*** or ***Citrus Express Gel***. Follow with a thorough rinsing so no cleaner residue is left in carpet. Remove all liquid by blotting or extracting if necessary. Air dry as quickly as possible.

Removing Difficult Stains:
Asphalt Tracking: Vacuum thoroughly before applying diluted ***HD Prespray***. Agitate with a carpet rake, extractor or brush and let sit for 10 minutes to loosen soils. Extract according to directions. Dry carpets as quickly as possible.

Reoccurring Stains:
Stains often reoccur when excessive soil or detergent from stain removal spotter remains in the carpet. Remove by re-cleaning with the appropriate spotter, rinse until thoroughly clean and blot dry.

To Prevent Wicking Of Reoccurring Stains:

- When spotting, be sure to blot until all of liquid is removed. Extract if necessary.
- Dry the carpet as quickly as possible using carpet fans or some type of air mover.
- Use a carpet rake. Depending on the thickness of the pile of the carpet, using a carpet rake can decrease drying time by at least 30%.
- Do not over-wet the carpet.

Removing Reoccurring Stains:
Apply ***Minimum Moisture Method*** carpet cleaner and maintainer directly to the spot. Work into carpet area with a soft brush and allow to dwell for 5-10 minutes. Vacuum thoroughly. Repeat the process if necessary.

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SSS Triple S Professional Carpet & Rug Cleaning Spotter Guide

Stain Chart	*Enzyme Spotter*	*Coffee Stain Remover*	*Red Stain Remover*	*Rust Remover*	*Citrus Gel Spotter*	*Solvent Stain Remover*	*Gum Remover Aerosol*
Adhesives					1	2	
Beer	2	1					
Betadine			1	2			
Blood	1	2					
Browning		1					
Butter	2		1				
Catsup		2	1				
Chocolate		2	1				
Coffee	2	1					
Crayon					1	2	
Cream	1		2				
Dye Stains		2	1				
Egg	1	2					
Feces	1	2					
Fruit Juice		2	1				
Furniture Stains					1	2	
Gravy	3	2	1				
Grease (food)	2	3	1				
Grease (petroleum)					1	2	
Gum							1
Ice Cream	1		2				
Inks					1	2	
Iodine			1	2			
Liquor	2	1					
Lipstick	3				1	2	
Marker					1	2	
Mayonnaise	2		1				
Milk	1		2				
Mustard	3	2	1				
Nail Polish					1	2	
Oil (food)	2	3	1				
Oil (petroleum)					1	2	
Paint					1	2	
Rust				1			
Salad Dressing	2		1				
Shoe Polish					1	2	
Soft Drinks		2	1				
Tar					1	2	
Tea	2	1					
Toner					1	2	
Urine	1	2					
Vomit	1	2	3				
Wine	3	2	1				
Unknown Stains	**1**	**2**			**3**		

CARPET CARE TIPS:

General Stain Removal Guidelines:

First, identify the stain/spot on the stain chart (left), then apply stain removal spotters in the order shown in the chart. First apply Spotter 1 from the relevant row in the chart, allow 1-5 minutes dwell time, agitate with a spotting tool or brush, blot with a towel to remove residues. If stain remains, follow with similar treatment using Spotter 2, etc. until the stain is removed. Then rinse with cool water, extract all residues and air dry.

Removing Unknown Stains:

If stain cannot be identified, use ***Enzyme Spotter***. If stain remains, use ***Coffee Stain Remover*** and if stain is still present use ***Citrus Gel Spotter***. Follow with a thorough rinsing and extraction so that no cleaner residue is left in your carpet or rug. Then air dry.

Difficult Spots and Stains:

Example: Asphalt Tracking: Vacuum thoroughly before applying diluted ***Solvent Stain Remover***. Agitate with a carpet rake, extractor or brush and let sit for 10 minutes to loosen soils. Extract according to directions. Dry carpets as quickly as possible.

Reoccurring Spots:

This occurs because excessive soil or detergent from spotter remains in carpet. Remove by re-cleaning with the appropriate spotter, rinse until thoroughly clean and blot dry.

Preventing Reoccurring Spots From Wicking:

- When spotting, be sure to blot until all of liquid is removed, extract if necessary.
- Dry the carpet as quickly as possible using carpet fans or some type of air mover.
- Use a carpet rake. Depending on the thickness of the pile of the carpet, using a carpet rake can decrease drying time by at least 30%.
- Do not over-wet the carpet.

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DOBMEIER FLOOR CLEANING GUIDE SECTION 2. - CLEANING HARDWOOD FLOORS

STEP 1 – IDENTIFY YOUR FLOORING MATERIAL
Hardwood Floors can be made from a variety of naturally occurring hardwood species in forms including: **Hardwood Plank Flooring, Parquet Block Flooring,** and man-made composite wood/resin materials known as **Engineered Hardwood Flooring**. When cleaning any of these Hardwood Floor types, the primary factor involved in determining the optimum cleaning technique is the ***Floor Surface Finish***. Hardwood floors finished with ***Polyurethane*** are simplest to clean, whereas those finished with ***Varnish, Lacquer or Shellac*** require more detailed care.

2.1. CLEANING HARDWOOD FLOORING WITH A POLYURETHANE FINISH

Always **Vacuum Clean** your hardwood floor to remove dust and debris before attempting to use cleaners or polishes.

Water should never be intentionally applied to hardwood floors, except those treated with a polyurethane surface treatment. Polyurethane finished hardwood floors can simply be *damp-mopped* using a sponge mop with a solution of water-based hardwood floor cleaner. Leave the floor to dry to a streak-free finish.

Damp Mopping Tip:

Thoroughly Wet The Sponge Mop And Then Squeeze It Until It Ceases To Drip.
Slowly And Evenly, Move The Mop Across Your Floor, Making Sure To Overlap It's Path As You Move Along.
Caution: You Must Avoid Ponding Of Water On Your Polyurethane Finished Hardwood Floors!

2. 2. CLEANING HARDWOOD FLOORING WITH A VARNISH, LACQUER OR SHELLAC FINISH

Always vacuum clean your hardwood floor to remove dust and debris before attempting to use cleaners or polishes.

*Hardwood Floors Surfaced With Varnish, Shellac, Or Lacquer Finishes Must Only Be Maintained With **Solvent-Based** Cleaners And Polishes, And Should Never Be Subjected To Cleaning With Water Or Water-Based Products*
Caution: Solvent-Based Cleaning Chemicals Are Combustible Mixtures That Should Only Be Used In Well-Ventilated Areas.

One fast and efficient method for cleaning your lacquered, varnished, or shellacked hardwood floor is to carefully vacuum clean the floor and then apply a solvent-based one-step cleaner/polish. Pour the liquid onto a small section of your flooring and use a wax applicator pad to spread it by rubbing it in along the direction of the natural wood grain. Use a clean cloth to remove any excess cleaning liquid, and then move along to the next section.

The **Preferred Method** for cleaning and polishing your lacquered, varnished, or shellacked hardwood floor will take longer to complete, but will result in a deeper and more durable shine, so that cleaning may be required less often. Carefully vacuum clean the floor and then use a dry wax applicator to apply a solvent-based liquid hardwood floor cleaner onto a small section of the floor, by wiping in the direction of the grain. Let the cleaning chemical dwell on the floor surface for a few minutes, whilst working on the next section of flooring. Return to the previous floor section and wipe up any excess cleaning liquid with a clean cloth. Proceed across the entire floor surface in this manner, then, when the floor is completely dry, buff the surface with a floor polisher to achieve a deep and lustrous finish.

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DOBMEIER FLOOR CLEANING GUIDE SECTION 3. - CLEANING STONE FLOORS

STEP 1 – IDENTIFY YOUR FLOORING MATERIAL

Stone Floors can be made from a variety of naturally occurring or man-made stone materials:
3.1. NATURAL STONE FLOORS including Marble, Granite, Travertine, Flagstone, Slate…..
3.2. MAN-MADE STONE FLOORS including Ceramic Tiles, Clay Bricks & Tiles, Quarry Tiles, Terrazzo, Concrete…

When cleaning any of these Stone Floor types, the primary factor involved in determining the optimum cleaning technique is the amount of *Open Surface Porosity* which can absorb dirt and stains, and this can be minimized by Sealing the floor surface with a proprietary Stone Floor Sealant (a variety of formulations are available, with some designed specifically for a particular stone floor type).

3.1. NATURAL STONE TILED FLOORS

Premium **Natural Stone Floor Products** typically provide very beautiful and durable flooring that we normally associate with a luxury lifestyle. Some Natural Stone Floor types are excellently suited to use in bathrooms, kitchens and high-traffic areas such as halls, foyers, etc. They may be sub-categorized by their specific type of stone, although colors, patterning, porosity, and other properties can also vary considerably, depending upon their particular geographic origin.

The most popularly available Natural Stone Floor Products are:

- Natural Marble Floor Tiles – for relatively Hard stone floors
- Natural Granite Floor Tiles – for relatively Hard stone floors
- Natural Travertine Floor Tiles – for relatively Hard stone floors
- Natural Flagstone Floor Tiles – for relatively Soft stone floors with increased porosity and surface texture
- Natural Slate Floor Tiles – for relatively Soft stone floors with increased porosity and surface texture

The cleaning requirements of these different types of natural stone floors vary with their surface state and texture. **Sealed natural stone floors are very much easier to clean and maintain than unsealed floors.** Additionally, some natural stone colors and patterns show dirt and marks more easily than others.

FLAGSTONE, SLATE, MARBLE, GRANITE, TRAVERTINE, AND OTHER NATURAL STONE FLOORING

Natural Flagstone and Natural Slate floors are usually installed with grouted joints and are naturally rough and porous across their entire surface. These natural stone flooring products must be properly sealed and waxed before use.

Natural Hard Stone Tiles are popularly used in flooring and are available with matt or polished surfaces. Matt floor tiles have a rougher surface, but even polished hard stone floor tiles are naturally porous, (as is any grout that may be installed at the tile seams). So both these matt and polished natural hard stone flooring products should also be properly sealed with an impregnating sealer, and then waxed in order to protect the sealed surface and maintain a clean appearance.

For Easy Care You Must Seal & Finish Your Natural Stone Floor!

Solvent-based floor tile waxes are usually considered superior in durability, but some may discolor certain natural stone types - so test a small amount in an inconspicuous area before applying these products to your entire floor. Water-based finishes tend to build up and require occasional stripping, but these are usually considered less likely to discolor your natural stone floor.

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STEPS 2 & 3 - GENERAL GUIDE FOR CLEANING SEALED & FINISHED STONE FLOORS

Always avoid the use of strong detergents, abrasives, or acids when cleaning any natural or man-made stone floor.

Specific recommendations for how to clean your sealed & finished stone floor, and which supplies to choose, depend primarily upon your specific floor cleaning scenario:

LIGHT-DUTY FLOOR CLEANING

Regular vacuum cleaning followed by ***damp mopping*** with a solution of 1cup of white vinegar in ½ pail of water, or General Purpose Cleaner solution, will clean many lightly-used sealed & finished stone floors.

Damp Mopping Tip
Thoroughly wet the mop and then wring it until it ceases to drip. Slowly and evenly, move the mop across your floor, making sure to overlap it's path as you move along.

Tougher marks can often be removed by gentle brushing with General Purpose Cleaner solution, or applying pressure with the mop.

Rinse with clean water and dry with a soft cloth to avoid streaking. Rinsing with a cup of fabric softener in ½ pail of water may help maintain a shine.

When necessary re-apply wax or finish. Solvent-based wax polishes are durable, and (unlike water-based polishes) do not require stripping because the solvents in the wax dissolve the existing wax layer preventing build-up.

COMMERICAL FLOOR CLEANING

To select the optimum products for cleaning and maintaining your sealed stone floor you need to factor in your ***type of floor machine***:

For Daily Cleaning/Polishing with *Conventional Rotary Floor Machines* 3M offers the ***ScotchBrite Purple Diamond Floor Pad***, whereas for Buffing/Polishing with *UHS Floor Machines* the ***3M 3600 Eraser Burnishing Pad*** is recommended.

For Daily Cleaning, ***Diversey*** offers an excellent range of floor cleaning supplies that can be used with either *Conventional Swing Machines* or *UHS Floor Machines (see page 19)*:

- ***Jon Stone / Jon Crete***
- ***Profi***
- ***Prominence***
- ***Stride Neutral***
- ***Revive Plus SC***

For extended maintenance of stone flooring Diversey also offers:

- *Floor Stripper* – ***LinoSafe*** (Conventional Floor Machines Only)
- *Floor Sealer* - ***Plaza Plus***
- *Floor Finish* - ***CareFree / CareFree Matte***
- *Floor Maintainer* - ***Revive Plus SC*** (or ***WiWax*** for Conventional Floor Machines Only)

'GREEN FLOOR CLEANING'

How Green Clean?

Dobmeier Professional Green Clean!

For *Light-Duty Manual Floor Cleaning* ***Diversey General Purpose Cleaner*** is reported to be highly effective in a range of floor scrubbing, mop & bucket, and spray & wipe applications with natural stone floors.

For *Wide-Area Floor Cleaning* using floor cleaning machines on natural stone floors:

- ***3M 3600 Eraser UHS Floor Pad*** and
- ***Diversey Stride Neutral Cleaner*** are both considered *'Green Cleaning'* products.

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3.2. MAN-MADE STONE FLOORS

Man Made Stone Flooring products can be very attractive and durable and the various available types range significantly in price and popularity. The most popularly applied flooring products in this category include:

- Ceramic Floor Tiles
- Clay Floor Bricks & Tiles
- Quarry Tiles
- Terrazzo Floor Tiles
- Poured Concrete Floors

As with **natural stone** flooring products, the cleaning requirements of these different types of **man-made stone** floors vary with their surface state and texture. Again, sealed floors are very much easier to maintain than unsealed floors, and some colors and patterns show dirt and marks more easily than others.

For Easy Care & Maintenance Porous Man-Made Stone Floors Must Be Sealed & Finished!

SEALING Porous Stone Floors - Apply undiluted ***Diversey Plaza Plus Stone Floor Sealer*** to new or stripped stone floors using a mop. When used as a sealant, Plaza Plus can be top coated with other Diversey floor finish products. When used alone as a combination sealant/finish this product can be maintained with conventional or UHS floor machines.

FINISHING Sealed Stone Floors - Solvent-based waxes are durable but may discolor some porous man-made stone flooring products - so test in an inconspicuous place before applying to the entire floor. Water-based waxes tend to build up and require stripping, but are less likely to discolor your floor. There are many products specifically formulated for use on porous stone and tile floors – see the *Diversey Hard Floor Care Recommendations Table* on Page 17 of this article.

CERAMIC TILE FLOORING - The shiny glazing on *Glazed Ceramic Floor Tiles* seals their surface, making them very easy to maintain. However, *Unglazed Ceramic Floor Tiles* are highly porous, and they must therefore be properly sealed with an impregnating sealer, and then finished in order to protect the tile surface and maintain a clean appearance. Both types of ceramic floor tile are installed with grouted seams, which are intrinsically porous and should be sealed.

CLAY BRICK & CLAY BRICK TILE FLOORING - *Clay Brick Floors* and *Clay Brick Flooring Tiles* are highly durable and may be used inside or outside. However, both the clay bricks, and the mortar installed at the brick seams, are intrinsically porous. So brick flooring must be properly sealed with an impregnating sealer, and then finished in order to protect the sealed surface and maintain a clean appearance.

QUARRY TILE FLOORING - Quarry tiles are made from clays blended with shales and other natural rock particles. They are intrinsically highly porous (as is the grout installed at tile seams), and so must be properly sealed with 2 or 3 coats of an impregnating sealer, and then finished in order to protect the surface and maintain a clean appearance.

TERRAZZO TILE FLOORING - Traditional Terrazzo Flooring is made from natural marble chips or other hard stone chips that are set in a matrix of cement mortar and then cut to shape, ground and polished. Traditional Terrazzo is therefore porous, and must be properly sealed with an impregnating sealer and then may be optionally coated with a *water-based* acrylic floor finish to protect the surface. Newer Terrazzo variants replace the porous cement matrix with a tough urethane or epoxy resin that is essentially non-porous and does not require sealing.

POURED CONCRETE FLOORING - Concrete floors are widely used in garages, basements and for patios. Concrete is very strong and resilient, but it is also porous and can easily absorb oils and other fluids. Sealing with an impregnating sealer, or finishing with a paint designed for concrete floors, can therefore dramatically reduce the time required for floor cleaning & maintenance.

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RESIDENTIAL FLOOR CLEANING - MAINTAINING LIGHTLY-USED MAN-MADE STONE FLOORS

CLEANING GLAZED CERAMIC TILE FLOORS

Avoid the use of strong detergents, bleaches, abrasives, or acids. *Regular vacuum cleaning followed by damp mopping with a solution of 1cup white vinegar in ½ pail of water will maintain your glazed ceramic tile floors under most conditions.*

Consider sealing your grout lines in order to prevent them absorbing stains. They can usually be cleaned with the same vinegar solution and a light brush. Difficult staining in the grout lines may require application of a paste made from baking soda and water or a commercial grout cleaner.

After cleaning rinse the floor with clean water to avoid streaking, and dry with a soft cloth.

CLEANING UNGLAZED CERAMIC TILE FLOORS, CLAY BRICK FLOORS, & QUARRY TILE FLOORS

The entire floor surface should be sealed and then finished to protect the tiles and the grout surfaces from wear and from absorbing dirt and stains.

To clean your waxed tile floor, avoid the use of strong detergents, abrasives, or acids. *Regular vacuum cleaning followed by damp mopping with a solution of 1cup white vinegar in ½ pail of water will maintain your unglazed floor tiles under most conditions.*

Tougher marks can often be removed by using a mild detergent in water, followed by *Rinsing* with a cup of fabric softener in ½ pail of water to maintain a shine.

When necessary re-apply wax. Solvent-based wax polishes are most effective, and (unlike water-based polishes) do not require stripping because the solvents in the wax dissolve the existing wax layer preventing build-up.

CLEANING TERRAZZO FLOORS

To clean your Terrazzo floor, avoid the use of any solvent-based products and use only Neutral (pH 7) cleaners that are specifically designed for use on Terrazzo - and carefully follow the manufacturer's directions.

Regular vacuum cleaning followed by damp mopping with warm water will maintain your Terrazzo floor under most conditions. Avoid ponding with water. Tougher marks can often be removed by using a Terrazzo Cleaner in water, followed by *Rinsing* with a cup of fabric softener in ½ pail of water to maintain a shine.

Occasional removal of wax build-up will require using a neutral wax stripper with a floor scrubbing machine and brush attachment. Rinse with water and optionally refinish

CLEANING SEALED CONCRETE FLOORS

Avoid the use of strong detergents, abrasives, or acids. First sweep or vacuum clean your sealed concrete floor to remove any loose dirt or dust. Mop the surface with water applying household detergent over any tough dirt. Rinse with clean water, squeegee, mop, or brush out any puddles, and leave to air dry.

CLEANING UNSEALED CONCRETE FLOORS

Avoid the use of abrasives or acids. First sweep or vacuum clean your unsealed concrete floor to remove any loose dirt or dust. Put down an oil absorbent grit or kitty-litter to take up oil or grease, then sweep up and remove.

Next use a sponge mop to spread Heavy-Duty Floor Cleaner across the floor, let the cleaner sit for a while on tough marks like leaf-stains or any remaining oil/grease stains. Occasionally work the surface with a mop or brush, and then re-apply more cleaning fluid until the stain has lifted. Rinse with clean water, squeegee, mop, or brush out any puddles, and leave to air dry.

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DOBMEIER FLOOR CLEANING GUIDE SECTION 4. - CLEANING SYNTHETIC FLOORS

STEP 1 – IDENTIFY YOUR FLOORING MATERIAL
Synthetic Floors can be made from a variety of traditional and modern man-made materials:
4.1. ***Traditional Synthetic Flooring*** including Asphalt Tiles and Linoleum Sheets
4.2. Modern Plastic & Rubber Flooring **Products** including Vinyl Tiles & Sheet, Rubber Tiles & Sheet…

These different Synthetic Floor types vary significantly in their reaction to different cleaning chemicals, as well as their susceptibility to physical damage from aggressive cleaning processes. The primary factors involved in determining the optimum cleaning technique for each floor type are the specific floor composition and the surface topography (a variety of cleaning formulations and cleaning pads are available, with some designed specifically for a particular floor type).

4.1. TRADITIONAL SYNTHETIC FLOORING

Many homes still contain 20th Century synthetic flooring products like Asphalt Tiles and Linoleum Sheets, which is a testament to their durability.

ASPHALT TILE FLOORING - Asphalt Tile Flooring has been a popular choice for below-grade basement applications due to the tiles low cost and innate resistance to damp conditions, mold, fungus, alkali and mild acids. However, asphalt tile floors tend to soften at temperatures above 80ºF (27ºC), and their surface can be damaged by lengthy exposure to grease, oil, solvents, some strong cleaning chemicals and scouring while cleaning.

LINOLEUM FLOORING - Linoleum flooring is made from a mixture of natural ingredients including sawdust, ground stone, resins and linseed oil. Waxing your linoleum floor will dramatically reduce the time required for floor cleaning & maintenance. Solvent-based products can damage your linoleum floor, so choose a water-based wax.

4.2. MODERN PLASTIC & RUBBER FLOORING PRODUCTS

Plastic and Rubber Flooring Products are available in both *Sheet* and *Tile* form.

VINYL FLOORING – The most commonly found plastic flooring products are the many different types of **Vinyl Floor Tiles & Sheets**, which are available in a huge range of colors and patterns. These may be obtained as hard and rigid solid tiles colored all the way through their thickness or relatively soft, flexible and even cushioned tiles or sheets - that are patterned and/or textured only on their top surface.

Vinyl flooring tiles and sheets are made from plasticized PolyVinyl Chloride (PVC) which is relatively hard and tough wearing, essentially non-porous, and simple to maintain. *Vinyl No Wax Surfaces* are treated to protect the floor surface but may still require floor polish to maintain a high gloss finish.

RUBBER FLOOR TILES & SHEETS – also come in a bewildering range of types, colors and patterns, and both vinyl and rubber are considered relatively inexpensive, durable and easy to maintain.

Rubber floor tiles and sheets are naturally insulating and are often found in schools, gyms, playrooms, airports, etc. Some rubber flooring products are relatively dense, while others like recycled rubber flooring may be much more porous. Some are designed for interior use only, whereas others may be used in exterior situations. Modified rubber floors have even been developed with electrical conductivity for anti-static applications in computer rooms etc. One thing that all rubber floors have in common is that they can be easily damaged by exposing them to solvents or harsh cleaning chemicals.

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STEPS 2 & 3 - GENERAL GUIDE FOR CLEANING SYNTHETIC FLOORS

Always avoid the use of strong detergents, abrasives, or strong acids when cleaning any synthetic floor.

Specific recommendations for how to clean your vinyl or rubber floor, and which floor cleaning supplies to choose, depend upon your specific floor type as well as your particular floor cleaning scenario:

LIGHT-DUTY FLOOR CLEANING

Regular vacuum cleaning followed by ***damp mopping*** will clean most lightly-used synthetic floors – avoid ponding!

See page 15 for the optimum solution to use for each specific floor type.

Damp Mopping Tip
Thoroughly wet the mop and then wring it until it ceases to drip. Slowly and evenly, move the mop across your floor, making sure to overlap it's path as you move along.

Tougher marks can often be removed by gentle brushing or applying pressure with the mop.

Rinse with clean water and dry with a soft cloth to avoid streaking. Rinsing with a cup of fabric softener in ½ pail of water will help maintain a shine.

When necessary re-apply wax or finish to protect your floor surface.

COMMERICAL FLOOR CLEANING

For Daily Cleaning of Asphalt, Linoleum, Vinyl, or Rubber flooring, with *Conventional Swing Machines* ***Diversey*** recommends*:*

- ***Forward DC or GP Forward***
- ***Profi***
- ***Prominence***
- ***Stride Neutral***
- ***Revive Plus SC***

For extended maintenance of specific synthetic floor types and cleaning with *UHS Floor Machines* see the **Diversey Floor Cleaning Supplies Chart** on page 19.

CLEANING RUBBER FLOORS:
- Porous Rubber Floors must be sealed with a protectant like WiWax
- Avoid using scrubbers or buffing machines above 350rpm and To Avoid Burning & Melting NEVER use high speed burnishers on Rubber Flooring!
- Remove *Heavy Soiling* with a hand brush, stripper and water solution.
- For *Glossy Finish* apply a rubber floor conditioner or apply a rubber floor spray buff with a buffing machine.
- For *Satin Finish* dry buff with a white cleaning pad
- Clean *Textured or Uneven Rubber Flooring* using an Autoscrubber with microfiber pad, but do NOT use floor finishes because it will be difficult to coat them evenly or to strip them when required.

'GREEN FLOOR CLEANING'

How Green Clean?

Dobmeier Professional Green Clean!

For *Light-Duty Manual Floor Cleaning* ***Diversey General Purpose Cleaner*** is reported to be highly effective in a range of floor scrubbing, mop & bucket, and spray & wipe applications with synthetic floors.

For *Wide-Area Floor Cleaning*:
- ***Diversey*** recommends ***Stride*** or ***General Purpose Cleaner*** for cleaning most synthetic floors
- ***Diversey Aquaria Finish*** can be used on Asphalt and Vinyl Floors

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Diversey Professional Floor Care Recommendations

Conventional Floor Cleaning Machines

Floor Type	Vinyl Asbestos/Asphalt Tile	Vinyl Composite Tile	Terrazzo	Linoleum	Natural Stone	Concrete	Rubber
Strippers							
Bravo	3	1	1			1	
Freedom Speed Stripper	3	1	1			1	
Power-Foam Bravo		1	1			1	
Pro Strip (US) / Attac (Canada)		1	1			1	
Fastrip	3	1	1			1	
Freedom SC	3	1	1			1	
Linosafe Stripper	3			1	1		
Rubber Safe							1
JonCrete Decorative Stripper						6	
JonCrete Rubber Restorer						1	
Sealers							
Fortify						1	
Over & Under	1	1					1
Linobase Linoleum Sealer				1			1
Undercover							1
Plaza Plus			1		1	1	
JonCrete Superior Adhesion Sealer						1	
JonCrete High Gloss Sealer						1	
JonCrete Matte Sealer						1	
Finishes							
Carefree	1	1	1	1	1		
Carefree Matte	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Complete	1	1	4		2		
Timesaver SR	1	1	4		2		
Show Place	1	1	4		2		
High Mileage	1	1	1		2		
Fresco Max	1	1	4		2		
Vectra	1	1	4		2		
Aquaria	1	1	4		2		
Maintainers							
Snapback Spray Buff	1	1					
WiWax	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Revive Plus SC	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cleaners							
Forward DC	1	1	1	1			1
GP Forward	1	1	1	1			1
Stride	1	1	1	1	1		1
Prominence	1	1	1	1	1		1
Jon Crete Daily Cleaner			1		1		
Jon Stone Daily Cleaner			1		1		
Profi	1	1	1	1	1		1
Revive Plus SC	1	1	1	1	1		1

UHS Floor Cleaning Machines

Floor Type	Vinyl Asbestos/Asphalt Tile	Vinyl Composite Tile	Terrazzo	Natural Stone	Concrete
Strippers					
Bravo 1500+ / Bravo	3	1	1		1
Freedom Speed Stripper	3	1	1		1
Power-Foam Bravo		1	1		1
Pro Strip (US) / Attac (Canada)		1	1		1
Fastrip	3	1	1		1
Freedom SC	3	1	1		1
Sealers					
Over & Under	1	1			
Plaza Plus			1	1	1
Finishes					
Carefree	1	1	1	1	
Carefree Matte	1	1	1	1	1
Signature	1	1	4	2	
Premia	1	1	4	2	
Aquaria	1	1	4	2	
Maintainers					
Revive Plus SC	1	1	1	1	1
Revive	1	1	1		
Snapback UHS Restorer	1	1	1		
Cleaners					
UHS Cleaner	1	1	5	5	5
Stride	1	1	1	1	1
Prominence	1	1	1	1	1
Jon Crete Daily Cleaner			1	1	1
Jon Stone Daily Cleaner			1	1	1
Profi	1	1	1	1	1
Revive Plus SC	1	1	1	1	1

Key To Chart Numbering System

1 = Product Is Compatible With This Floor Type
2 = Product Is Compatible When Used Over Plaza Plus Sealer
3 = Test In A Small Area Before Using On Asphalt
4 = Check For Adhesion / Use Over Plaza Plus Sealer
5 = Check For Compatibility On Bare Stone / Concrete
6 = Compatible For Use On Decorative Concrete

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RESIDENTIAL FLOOR CLEANING - MAINTAINING LIGHTLY-USED SYNTHETIC FLOORS

CLEANING LIGHTLY-USED ASPHALT TILE FLOORS

Avoid the use of strong detergents, abrasives, or strong acids. *Regular cleaning with a vacuum cleaner and then damp mopping with water will maintain lightly-used asphalt tile floors under most conditions.* For tougher dirt, addition of Profi Floor Cleanert or a dilute ammonia solution to your water can often help. Then carefully rinse the tiles, but avoid ponding the water - which could seep down seams.

Rinsing with a cup of fabric softener in 1/2 pail of water may help maintain a shine. Alternatively, if you choose to apply a polish, make sure to use a water-based polish, since solvent-based waxes can soften the tiles and damage their surface.

CLEANING LIGHTLY-USED LINOLEUM FLOORS

Avoid the use of strong detergents, abrasives, or acids. *Regular vacuum cleaning followed by damp mopping with a solution of 1cup white vinegar in 1/2 pail of water will maintain your linoleum floors under most conditions.*

Tougher dirt can often be removed by using Diversey Profi Floor Cleaner, followed by *Rinsing* with a cup of fabric softener in 1/2 pail of water to maintain a shine. Black heel marks may require pre-cleaning by spraying WD40 onto a cloth and rubbing the mark away.

Occasionally, you will need to strip the floor and re-apply a water-based wax. You can mop neat ammonia solution over the floor and allow it to soak for about 10 minutes (you will need to ventilate the room!). Then scrub the floor with a nylon bristle brush to remove the old wax finish. Mop up the ammonia solution and then *Rinse* the floor with a solution of 1cup white vinegar in 1/2 pail of water to remove any ammoniacal residue. Reapply a new layer of liquid wax with a sponge mop or a dishtowel, and leave it to dry. Alternatively, use *Diversey LinoSAFE* Stripper, *LinoBase* Sealer, & *Carefree* Finish.

CLEANING LIGHTLY-USED NO WAX VINYL FLOORS

Avoid the use of abrasives which will damage the floor surface. *Regular cleaning with a vacuum cleaner and then damp mopping with clean water or with a solution of 1cup white vinegar in 1/2 pail of water will maintain no wax vinyl floors under most conditions.* For tougher dirt, addition of an all-purpose cleaner to your water can often help. Then carefully rinse to remove any soap residue, but avoid ponding the water - which could seep down seams between tiles.

Stains can be bleached out by adding a 1/2 capful of bleach to 1 cup of water and pouring onto a paper towel over the stain. The towel keeps the bleach in place, preventing it from draining away. Check every 10 minutes, then (when the stain has gone) rinse with water and dry. Alternatively try *Mr Clean Magic Erasers* to remove oil or grease stains, then rinse and dry. Optionally finish with a self-polishing floor finish.

CLEANING LIGHTLY-USED STANDARD VINYL FLOORS

Cleaning instructions are the same as those for no wax vinyl floors. HOWEVER, Standard Vinyl Flooring WILL require 2 coats of a self-polishing floor finish to protect the surface and maintain a clean look.

CLEANING LIGHTLY-USED RUBBER FLOOR TILES & SHEETS

To clean your rubber floor, avoid the use of any solvent-based products or strongly alkaline (high pH) cleaning chemicals. *Regular vacuum cleaning followed by damp mopping with an all-purpose cleaning solution will maintain your rubber floor under most conditions. Avoid ponding with water.* Tougher marks can often be removed by using a Profi Floor Cleaner, followed by *Rinsing* with a cup of fabric softener in 1/2 pail of water to maintain a shine.

Porous recycled rubber flooring products must be sealed with 2 or 3 coats of a commercial rubber floor sealant. New rubber floors should be cleaned and waxed with a surface protectant specifically formulated for rubber such as *Diversey WiWax*. For occasional removal of wax build-up, use *Diversey RubberSAFE* stripper, rinse, and re-apply 2 coats of *WiWax*. As rubber floors age they become harder and more wear-resistant making them very easy to maintain.

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