

# CLEANING LINOLEUM FLOORS

MARMORETTE / COLORETTE / LINORETTE / GRANETTE / UNI WALTON / LINO ART METALLIC / LINODUR



#### **Damp sweeping equipment** Flexible mop preferably fitted with disposable,

antistatic and/or pre-impregnated gauze strips



Mechanical cleaning disk 3M (or equivalent) colour disks

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Mechanical cleaning equipment Auto scrubber, rotocleaner or single-brush machine

	Equipment used	Cleaning products	Cleaning methods
First use Manual cleaning AND Mechanical cleaning		Neutral or alkaline detergent (pH <9) Redispersible detergent	<ul> <li>Damp sweeping</li> <li>Mechanical washing with red disk at 300-450 rpm (with water recovery) <ul> <li>Rinsing</li> </ul> </li> <li>Application of redispersible detergent <ul> <li>Dry polishing</li> </ul></li></ul>
Daily cleaning Manual cleaning AND Mechanical cleaning		Neutral or redispersible detergent	• Damp sweeping • Mechanical washing with red disk at 300-450 rpm (with water recovery)
Weekly cleaning Manual cleaning AND Mechanical cleaning		Alkaline detergent (pH <9)	• Damp sweeping • Mechanical washing with red disk at 300-450 rpm (with water recovery)
Deep cleaning Manual cleaning AND Mechanical cleaning		Alkaline detergent (pH <9) Concentrated redispersible detergent	<ul> <li>Damp sweeping</li> <li>Mechanical washing with red disk at 300-450 rpm (with water recovery) <ul> <li>Rinsing</li> </ul> </li> <li>Application of redispersible detergent with red disk <ul> <li>Dry polishing</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Reconditioning LPX Floors		Stripper for linoleum Acrylic emulsion	<ul> <li>Damp sweeping <ul> <li>Stripping</li> <li>Rinsing</li> </ul> </li> <li>Application of acrylic emulsion in <ul> <li>crossed layers, respecting the drying</li> <li>time between each layers</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

These cleaning instructions have to be adapted depending on traffic and location of the area.

In the case of applying acrylic protective emulsion, this one must be certified as not modifying the electric characteristic floors.

In the case of manual maintenance and to offer you the best results in terms of hygiene and appearance, Gerflor recommends that you use neutral and alkaline detergents with high wetting power (complete spreading and cleaning of the entire floor surface).

Here is a non-exhaustive list of products recommended by the main manufacturers:

KIEHL : Profloor\*, RS Nett\*\* TANA / WERNER : Green care SR15\*, Floor Cleaner S\*, Clean Fresh\*, Difotan\*, Clean Extreme\*, Innomat\*\*

ECOLAB : Brial Clean S\* ANIOS : Deterg'anios\* ROCHEX : Polystar\*, Roctonic\*\* BUZIL : HC 43\*\*

**DIVERSEY / SEALED AIR:** Asset\* **DREITURM :** Multinetzer\*, Goldreif (vert)\*, Linorein\*\*, D1 Neu\*\*



## PRECAUTIONS FOR USE



- Never use abrasive disks or any procedure that risks damaging the surface treatment (abrasive products, solvents, etc.).
- Never use rubber caps (for chair legs or other furniture); instead, use PVC or Polyethylene caps.

## STAIN REMOVAL DURING WORKS

#### Paint mark removal

- Do not use abrasive cleaning equipment (e.g. Scotch Brite, scouring pads, steel wool, etc.).
- Use the solvent for the paint if known. If the solvent is not known, start with solvents such as Essence C, White Spirit, etc. before trying stronger solvents such as Taraclean spray. If the stain proves hard to remove, do not persist.
- Wipe and rinse the floor thoroughly after applying the solvent.

### On paint drips

A freeze spray will yield excellent results when paint has formed a drip on the material (freeze sprays can be bought from cleaning product manufacturers or in pharmacies).

#### On adhesive marks

- Fresh acrylic adhesive marks (< 1 month)
  - Apply a water-based solution with added cleaning product, leave to act and mechanically clean and rinse the floor.
- Dried acrylic adhesive marks (> 1 month)
- Use Essence C or White Spirit. Wipe and rinse the floor thoroughly after applying the solvent.
- Solvent adhesive marks

Use strong solvents (such as Taraclean spray), but do not persist if the adhesive marks are difficult to remove (as may happen with solvent-resistant cross-linked adhesives).

## TIPS AND ADVICE FOR STAIN REMOVAL

#### Rust

Apply an anti-rust product or oxalic acid. Rinse thoroughly.

#### Food grease/paint/ballpoint pen/felt-tip pen/heavy grease (tar)

Apply a solvent such as Essence C or White Spirit. Rub with undiluted product and rinse with plenty of water.

#### Rubber marks/Shoe marks

Apply an alkaline detergent (such as Dynatech Trophy) to shoe marks. Leave to act for 5 minutes. Rub.

#### Chewing-gum

Use a freeze spray to harden the chewing gum, and then remove it with a plastic spatula (freeze sprays can be bought from cleaning product manufacturers or in pharmacies).