



## **CLEANING METHODS Barefoot and Wetside Matting Heronrib and Floorline PVC matting and Herontile EVA tiles**

Regular cleaning as part of planned regime will maintain both the effectiveness and life span of the matting or tiles.

All the products incorporate anti-bacterial and anti-fungal additives which are permanent to ensure continued protection. Cleaning is required to remove body fat, light grease and oils, food fat, wax and acrylic polishes.

### **PREPARATION**

Inspect matting and remove any loose items such as litter and clothing fibres etc.

### **HAND CLEANING**

Regular hand cleaning should be done as prevailing soiling conditions dictate.

An Alkaline cleaning fluid should be used as per manufacturers mixing and application recommendations. The matting or tiles can be cleaned in position. Apply with a sprayer or mop and allow to penetrate any grease or dirt. A stiff deck brush may be used to work the cleaning fluid into the surface dirt. Allow to soak before rinsing with clean water.

If required to be moved for through deep cleaning or for cleaning flooring below, the mats should be rolled up. They should not be folded or pulled/dragged as this will damage the products over time.

### **MACHINE CLEANING**

As required periodically, the products may need to be machine cleaned. Following pre-spray, clean top surface initially, in the direction of the ribs using a cylindrical brush machine. Where there are etched patterns on the top ribs in which dirt is deposited, additional cross passes should be made to complete the cleaning. If underside of matting is also required to be cleaned, roll up matting and then roll back out leaving underside facing upwards. Repeat pre-spray and above cleaning regime.

### **STEAM CLEANING**

Any type of steam cleaner may be used. Good results have been obtained with nozzle pressure of approximately 6894.8 kN/m<sup>2</sup> (1000 lbs p.s.i.) and water temperature of approximately 100°C. Cleaning fluid should be diluted according to the steam cleaning machine manufacturers' recommendations.

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