

## Maintenance

### High Gloss Vinyl Flooring Roll

#### **Additional Material Required:**

Neutral pH Cleaner  
Spray Buff  
Microfiber Mop Pads  
Taski Contact Pads

**High Gloss Finish Information:** High gloss finish is a factory-applied urethane finish, with a thickness of 100 microns. No additional finishes are required, and the manufacturer does not recommend applying any additional finishes, except as noted below.

#### **Initial Maintenance:**

1. Ensure the installation has been done per the Technical Manual for Interior Flooring Products and all related technical information.
2. Always wait 48 hours after installation has been completed before beginning the initial maintenance.
3. Clean the floor using a microfiber dust mop.
4. Using a neutral pH cleaner, scrub the floor with a Taski Contact Pad on a low speed (175 – 300 RPM) rotary floor machine or auto-scrubber, vacuuming up any remaining cleaning solution.
5. If necessary, use clean water and a clean microfiber mop pad to remove any remaining residue.

#### **Routine/Daily Maintenance:**

1. Remove all gross soiling (gum, labels, residues, etc.). Take care when using a scraper or putty knife to avoid permanently damaging the surface of the flooring.
2. Clean the floor using a microfiber dust mop.
3. Apply a neutral pH cleaner to the flooring using a microfiber mop pad.
4. If necessary, use clean water and a clean microfiber mop pad to remove any remaining residue.

#### **Periodic Maintenance:**

1. Remove all gross soiling (gum, labels, residues, etc.). Take care when using a scraper or putty knife to avoid permanently damaging the surface of the flooring.
2. Clean the floor using a microfiber dust mop.
3. Thoroughly clean the floor using a neutral pH cleaner and a Taski Contact Pad on a low speed (175 – 300 RPM) rotary floor machine or auto-scrubber, vacuuming up any remaining cleaning solution. If intending to revitalize the gloss of the flooring, substitute a spray buff for the neutral pH cleaner.

4. If necessary, use clean water and a clean microfiber mop pad to remove any remaining residue.

### **Restorative Maintenance:**

1. High gloss finish is not designed to be stripped from the surface of the flooring. Any attempt to strip this finish may result in permanent damage.

### **High Gloss Finish and Other Finishes:**

- Acrylic finishes should never be applied over the high gloss finish. Since it is a urethane finish, many acrylic finishes may have long-term bond issues, which can result in the finish de-bonding over time. In addition, the act of stripping any acrylic finish from the surface of the floor will require an aggressive stripping pad, which may leave scratches over the surface.
- While urethane finishes may be applied to the high gloss finish, it is not normally recommended, except as a repair measure for damaged finish. Once a urethane finish has been applied, all warranties and support for the finish will be the responsibility of the finish manufacturer.

### **Preventative Maintenance:**

- Ensure a maintenance program is in place and adhered to, in order to receive the best possible performance from your flooring. A good maintenance program will include, at a minimum, the following:
  - Properly maintained walk-off mats at all entrances into the building. This may also include transitions from areas of different use within the same building (e.g. from a warehouse into an office space). Walk-off mats must be non-rubber/non-latex backed and non-staining.
  - Performing daily maintenance, which should include both dust mopping and wet mopping with a neutral pH cleaner.
  - Using only clean microfiber mops and floor pads when performing maintenance.
- Immediately clean-up all spills.
- Use proper furniture protectors/glides, which are non-rubber and non-staining. They should be inspected periodically to ensure they are still in good condition. Damaged or worn protectors/glides can result in damage to the surface of the flooring.
- Ensure proper window treatments are in place, such as curtains, blinds, or tinting. Constant UV exposure may cause discoloration.
- Always use caution when moving heavy equipment/furniture across the floor to avoid scratches or gouges.
- Avoid using harsh cleaning products, bleach, or ammonia to clean the floor. Use of these types of products could damage the finish, or result in discoloration of the flooring.

### **Notes:**

- All warranties and support for the maintenance products, walk-off mats, floor protectors, etc. will be through the manufacturer. The Recommended Maintenance Products chart lists products from select manufacturers who have approved those products shown for use with LonMetro Vinyl Flooring Roll. The manufacturer does not recommend one manufacturer over another. For products not shown on the list, it is recommended that the manufacturer of the chosen product be contacted to confirm that their product is suitable for use with sheet vinyl flooring.
- Where recommendations differ between the information contained in this document and those provided by the maintenance product manufacturer, always defer to the maintenance product manufacturer, as they will hold all warranties for their products and their performance, with the

following exception. The floor pads noted above are the maximum recommended aggressiveness for LonMetro Vinyl Flooring. Using anything more aggressive than what is noted, may result in permanent damage to the flooring.

- All installation locations are different, and the maintenance program may need to be adjusted to meet the specific needs of the site. This may even require an increased frequency of cleaning.
- Ensure familiarity with the maintenance products being used, prior to application.
- Keep all microfiber mops and floor pads clean and in “as new” condition, and switch them out as needed during use.
- The manufacturer does not recommend the use of yarn mops for cleaning the floor. These types of mops tend to push the dirt around, and are not as effective as microfiber mops.
- For stubborn scuff marks, or for quick removal of scuff marks, a new, clean tennis ball can be very effective in removing them by rubbing the ball over the mark.
- For small installations, where the use of a low-speed machine or auto-scrubber will not be feasible, smaller scale floor pads and holders are available which attach to the end of a mop handle

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