

Caring for Marmoleum® Sport

The Forbo Marmoleum® Sport has been designed based on color patterns commonly applied in sports halls. The colors can be combined to add accented shapes in the floor and they are dirt concealing.

Forbo Marmoleum® and linoleum products are a homogeneous floor covering made from natural ingredients including linseed oil, rosin binders, wood flour, limestone and dry pigments which are mixed and then calendared onto a natural jute backing

IMPORTANT! Before starting any cleaning procedures on any Forbo products, contact Forbo's Product Support & Education Services for additional information, recommendations or to schedule a site visit. The best results may not be achieved if the chemical and equipment types recommended below are not used. The size of the equipment recommended may also vary based on the size of the space or application type.

NOTE: Forbo Flooring Systems does not warrant or guarantee the performance of other manufacturers' products mentioned in these guidelines. For specific information regarding Forbo's warranty, visit www.forboflooringNA.com or contact Forbo's Product Support & Education Services.

INITIAL CLEANING

Cleaning performed for new installations exposed to normal construction soil and traffic. It is necessary to protect newly installed floors from construction soil, traffic and damage until they are ready for initial cleaning. In order to allow the adhesive to dry and cure properly, wait a minimum of five days following the installation before conducting initial cleaning or other wet cleaning procedures. For installations over non-porous substrates, additional time may be necessary because the adhesive may take longer to dry and cure.

1. Remove all surface soil, debris, sand and grit by dust mopping the floor with 3M™ Easy Trap, sweeping or vacuuming with a wet/dry vacuum such as Tennant/Nobles V-WD-15S or equivalent.
2. Mix a neutral pH cleaning solution of Pro-Link Level 7 according to the label directions. The pH of the cleaner in solution must be between 6.0 – 8.0 pH.
3. Apply the solution to the floor. Do NOT flood the floor. The solution can be applied with either a mop or an automatic scrubber such as Tennant T300, Nobles Speed Scrub 300 or equivalent. Allow the solution to dwell on the floor for 5 – 10 minutes.
4. Scrub the floor with either a low speed rotary machine such as Tennant/Nobles FM-17-SS or equivalent or an automatic scrubber such as Tennant T300, Nobles Speed Scrub 300 or equivalent using a 3M™ TopLine Autoscrubber Pad #5000 or equivalent. If using an automatic scrubber, it is recommended to double scrub the floor.
5. Pick up the scrubbing solution with a wet vacuum such as Tennant/Nobles V-WD-15S or equivalent or an automatic scrubber such as Tennant T300, Nobles Speed Scrub 300 or equivalent.
6. Rinse the entire floor surface with a clean mop using clean, cool water. Pick up rinse water with wet vacuum such as Tennant/Nobles V-WD-15S or equivalent or an automatic scrubber such as Tennant T300, Nobles Speed Scrub 300 or equivalent.
7. Allow the floor to dry thoroughly.
8. If required, sport lines can be painted on the floor. Contact Forbo's Product Support and Education Services for additional information. If sport lines are painted, be sure to follow the paint manufacturer's recommendations for curing time of the paint before moving onto the next step.
9. Apply 2 – 3 coats of Pro-Link Synthetic Sports Finish according to the label directions.
10. Allow the floor to dry thoroughly before allowing traffic.

ROUTINE CLEANING

Cleaning performed a minimum of once a day, depending on the application, type of traffic and hours of operation.

1. Stains or spills should be wiped or mopped up immediately with a damp mop using a neutral pH cleaning solution of Pro-Link Level 7 mixed according to the label directions. Rinse the affected area with clean, cool water. Be sure to allow the floor to dry thoroughly before allowing traffic. The pH of the cleaner in solution must be between 6.0 – 8.0 pH.
2. Remove all surface soil, debris, sand and grit by dust mopping the floor with 3M™ Easy Trap, sweeping or vacuuming with a wet/dry vacuum such as Tennant/Nobles V-WD-15S or equivalent.
3. Mix a neutral pH cleaning solution of Pro-Link Level 7 according to the label directions. The pH of the cleaner in solution must be between 6.0 – 8.0 pH.
4. Apply the solution to the floor. Do NOT flood the floor. The solution can be applied with either a mop or an automatic scrubber such as Tennant T300, Nobles Speed Scrub 300 or equivalent. Allow the solution to dwell on the floor for 5 – 10 minutes.
5. Scrub the floor with either a low speed rotary machine such as Tennant/Nobles FM-17-SS or equivalent or an automatic scrubber such as Tennant T300, Nobles Speed Scrub 300 or equivalent using a 3M™ Red Buffer Pad #5100 or equivalent. If using an automatic scrubber, it is recommended to double scrub the floor.
6. Pick up the scrubbing solution with a wet vacuum such as Tennant/Nobles V-WD-15S or equivalent or an automatic scrubber such as Tennant T300, Nobles Speed Scrub 300 or equivalent.
7. Rinse the entire floor surface with a clean mop using clean, cool water. Pick up rinse water with wet vacuum such as Tennant/Nobles V-WD-15S or equivalent or an automatic scrubber such as Tennant T300, Nobles Speed Scrub 300 or equivalent.
8. Allow the floor to dry thoroughly before allowing traffic.

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RESTORATION CLEANING

Cleaning performed as needed, depending on the application, type of traffic and hours of operation. The following processes should be followed when the routine cleaning is not removing the soil from the floor.

1. Remove all surface soil, debris, sand and grit by dust mopping the floor with 3M™ Easy Trap, sweeping or vacuuming with a wet/dry vacuum such as Tennant/Nobles V-WD-15S or equivalent.
2. Mix a general purpose cleaning solution using ProLink Synthetic Sports Stripper at a dilution rate of 16 oz. per 1 gallon of water. The pH of the cleaner in solution must be between 8.0 – 10.4 pH.
3. Apply the solution to the floor. Do NOT flood the floor. The solution should be applied with a mop and allowed to dwell on the floor for 10 minutes.
4. Scrub the floor with either a low speed rotary machine such as Tennant/Nobles FM-17-SS or equivalent or an automatic scrubber such as Tennant T300, Nobles Speed Scrub 300 or equivalent using a 3M™ Blue Cleaner Pad #5300 or equivalent. If using an automatic scrubber, it is recommended to double scrub the floor. **The use of black or brown pads is NOT recommended.**
5. Pick up the scrubbing solution with a wet vacuum such as Tennant/Nobles V-WD-15S or equivalent or an automatic scrubber such as Tennant T300, Nobles Speed Scrub 300 or equivalent.
6. Be sure that all the finish has been removed. If not, please repeat steps 3 – 5.
7. Rinse the entire floor surface with a clean mop using clean, cool water. Pick up rinse water with wet vacuum such as Tennant/Nobles V-WD-15S or equivalent or an automatic scrubber such as Tennant T300, Nobles Speed Scrub 300 or equivalent.
8. Allow the floor to dry thoroughly.
9. Apply 2 – 3 coats of Pro-Link Synthetic Sports Finish according to the label directions.
10. Allow the floor to dry thoroughly before allowing traffic.

NOTE: Weather, traffic and geographical location will influence the required frequency of this procedure. For example, in areas where there are large amounts of snow and chemicals used in the winter months it will likely be necessary to perform this procedure more frequently. In dry climates, or where there is less dirt traffic, it may not be necessary to perform this procedure as frequently.

CAUTION: Marmoleum® Sport can be damaged by traditional wet stripping methods and should NEVER be subjected to traditional, aggressive wet stripping. These floors should be cared for by a staff trained to understand the floor care program, as described above, and it should be followed closely. Contact Forbo's Product Support & Education Services with any additional questions.

Forbo's Commercial Floor Care Guide contains additional information and is available for download at www.forboflooringNA.com. For a hard copy, or for additional information, contact Forbo's Product Support & Education Services at 1-800-842-7839.