

## Caring for Forbo Marmoleum® Sport

### Care Recommendations For

- Forbo Marmoleum® Sport

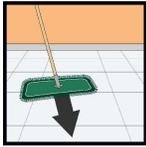
Always refer to and follow the recommendations in the **General Floor Care Guidelines** prior to starting any cleaning processes.

Forbo Marmoleum® Sport does not have any factory applied finish so that game lines can be applied to the surface. All initial cleaning steps below must be followed prior to the application of finish to ensure proper performance.

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### Initial Cleaning

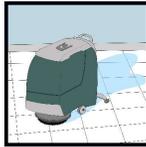
Newly installed floors must be protected from construction soil, traffic and damage. Initial cleaning procedures should be performed on all new installations exposed to normal construction soil and traffic. It is recommended to wait a minimum of five days before conducting any wet cleaning procedures in order to allow the adhesive to dry and cure properly. This timeframe can vary, depending on the substrate, site conditions and/or the adhesive used. Contact Forbo's Product Support & Education Services for additional information.



1. Remove all surface debris by dust mopping, sweeping or vacuuming.

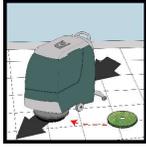


2. Mix a cleaning solution by diluting a neutral pH cleaner in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. The pH of the cleaning solution must be between 6.0 – 8.0 pH.

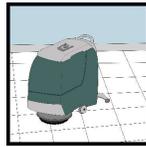


3. Apply the cleaning solution to the floor and allow 5 – 10 minutes of dwell time. Additional dwell time may be necessary for heavily soiled floors.

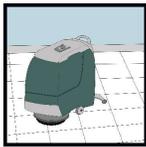
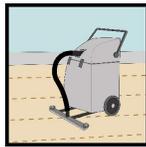
**NOTE:** It is recommended to double scrub heavily soiled floors when using an automatic scrubber.



4. Scrub the floor with either a 175 RPM floor machine or an automatic scrubber using a 3M™ Topline Pad #5000 or equivalent.



5. Pick up the cleaning solution with a wet/dry vacuum or an automatic scrubber.



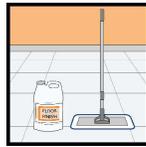
6. If using a cleaner that requires rinsing, rinse the entire surface with a clean mop using clean, cool water. Pick up the rinse water with wet/dry vacuum or an automatic scrubber.



7. Allow the floor to dry completely before allowing traffic.

8. Game lines can now be painted or taped onto the floor. Following in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations for preparing, applying and curing times prior to moving onto the next step.

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- Apply a water based acrylic floor finish recommended for use with linoleum floor coverings in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

**NOTE:** Check with the Game Line Paint or Tape manufacturer for recommendations for accepting finish.



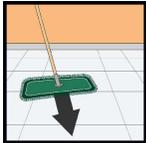
- Allow the floor to dry completely before allowing traffic.

### Routine Cleaning

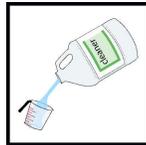
Cleaning typically performed a minimum of once a day, depending on the application, type of traffic and hours of operation.



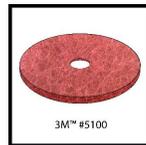
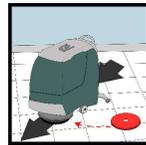
- Spots or spills should be cleaned up immediately using a neutral pH cleaning solution and a clean cloth or damp mop. The pH of the cleaning solution must be between 6.0 – 8.0 pH. Rinse the affected area with clean, cool water. Allow the floor to dry completely before allowing traffic.



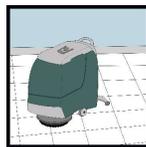
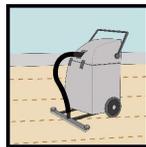
- Remove all surface debris by dust mopping, sweeping or vacuuming.



- Mix a cleaning solution by diluting a neutral pH cleaner in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. The pH of the cleaning solution must be between 6.0 – 8.0 pH.



- Either wet mop the floor with the cleaning solution or scrub the floor with an automatic scrubber and a 3M™ Red Pad #5100 or equivalent.



- If using a cleaner that requires rinsing, rinse the entire surface with a clean mop using clean, cool water. Pick up rinse water with wet/dry vacuum or an automatic scrubber.

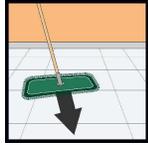


- Allow the floor to dry completely before allowing traffic.

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### Interim Cleaning

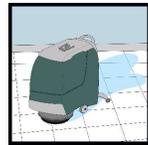
Cleaning performed as needed, depending on the application, type of traffic and hours of operation. The following processes should be followed when the routine cleaning is not removing the soil from the floor. Interim cleaning is important to maintaining the finish and integrity of the game lines applied to Forbo Marmoleum® Sport. Using a restorer or spray buff periodically will help repair micro-abrasions, which are normal wear on the floor that will hold soiling on the surface that make routine cleaning more difficult with poor results.



1. Remove all surface debris by dust mopping, sweeping or vacuuming.

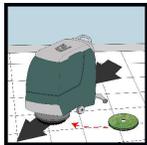


2. Mix a cleaning solution by diluting a general-purpose cleaner in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. The pH of the cleaning solution must be between 8.0 – 10.4 pH.

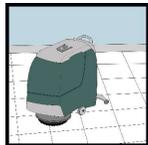


3. Apply the cleaning solution to the floor and allow for 5 – 10 minutes of dwell time. Additional dwell time may be necessary for heavily soiled floors.

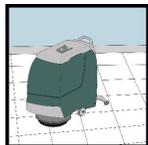
**NOTE:** It is recommended to double scrub heavily soiled floors when using an automatic scrubber.



4. Scrub the floor with either a 175 RPM floor machine or an automatic scrubber using a 3M™ Topline Pad #5000 or equivalent. This pad is NOT to be used regularly in place of the 3M™ Red Pad #5100 for routine cleaning.



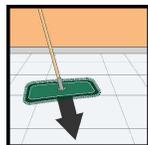
5. Pick up the cleaning solution with a wet/dry vacuum or an automatic scrubber.



6. Rinse the entire surface with a clean mop using clean, cool water. Pick up rinse water with wet/dry vacuum or an automatic scrubber.

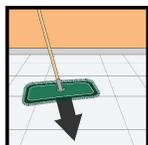


7. Allow the floor to dry completely before allowing traffic.



8. One of the following must be performed:

- a. Spray buff the floor using a 175 RPM floor machine and a 3M™ Red Pad #5100 or equivalent, followed by dust mopping.



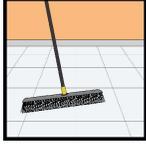
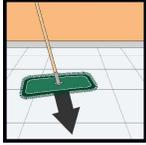
- b. Apply a restorer in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. If using a restorer that requires burnishing, burnish the floor using a high speed burnisher with a 3M™ Eraser Pad #3600 or equivalent, followed by dust mopping.

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### Restoration Cleaning

Restoration cleaning is important to maintain the finish and integrity of the game lines applied to Forbo Marmoleum® Sport. A good indication that restoration cleaning is required is when routine or interim cleaning is not removing the soil from the floor or the game lines need to be re-applied.

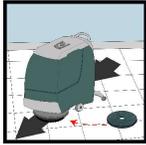
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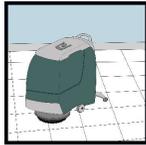
1. Remove all surface debris by dust mopping, sweeping or vacuuming.

2. Use a low alkali linoleum finish remover according to the label directions. The pH of the cleaning solution must be between 8.0 – 10.4 pH.

3. Apply the low alkali linoleum finish remover to the floor and allow recommended dwell time in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

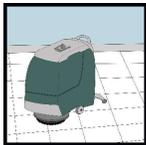


4. Scrub the floor with either a 175 RPM floor machine or an automatic scrubber using a 3M™ Blue Pad #5300 or equivalent. This pad is NOT to be used regularly in place of the 3M™ Red Pad #5100 for routine cleaning.



5. Pick up the low alkali linoleum finish remover with a wet/dry vacuum or an automatic scrubber.

6. Ensure that all finish has been removed. Repeat steps 3 – 5 as necessary.

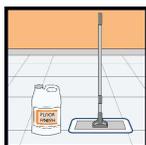


7. Rinse the entire surface with a clean mop using clean, cool water. Pick up rinse water with wet/dry vacuum or an automatic scrubber.



8. Allow the floor to dry completely before allowing traffic.

9. Apply or touch up game lines as required. Following in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations for preparing, applying and curing times prior to moving onto the next step.



10. Apply a water-based acrylic floor finish recommended for linoleum in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.



11. Allow the floor to dry completely before allowing traffic.

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**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.

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