

FORBO ADHESIVE REMOVER TECHNICAL DATA

1. PRODUCT NAME & MANUFACTURER

1.1 Product:

Forbo Adhesive Remover

1.2 Manufacturer:

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1.3 Product Description:

Forbo Adhesive Remover is a biobased solvent developed to remove the most difficult adhesives safely from the floor. It is a safe alternative to other highly flammable, toxic or petroleum hydrocarbon solvents or corrosive chemicals.

1.4 Recommended for Use With:

All Forbo Flooring Products

1.5 Physical Characteristics:

Odor ----- Solvent, Characteristic
Color ----- Amber
pH ----- N/A
VOC Content ----- 1.300% by weight
Unit Size ----- 1 quart (0.946 L)
Dilution ----- Undiluted for spot removal
----- 1:4 dilution for large areas
Spread Rate ----- Varies
Shelf Life ----- 2 years in unopened container
Storage ----- Keep from Freezing
Disposal ----- Follow all local regulations

2. APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 General Adhesive Removal:

Always test in an inconspicuous area first. Apply Forbo Adhesive Remover to the floor using a clean cloth. Allow the remover to penetrate the adhesive for 3 – 5 minutes. Rub the area with a clean cloth. Remove the Forbo Adhesive Remover from the floor with the cloth. If there is a lot of adhesive residue on the floor, check the cloth frequently and rinse as required to prevent smearing of adhesive on the surface of the floor.

It may require extra dwell time or repeat applications for difficult adhesives. Other residues such as gum or tar may require the careful use of a 5-in-1 tool or a putty knife to gently scrape it from the surface. Either of these tools should be held flat with a slight angle. Do NOT apply heavy pressure onto the tool to avoid damaging the flooring.

Rinse the area thoroughly with clean, cool water. Wipe the area dry with a clean, dry cloth to examine if all residue has been removed. Repeat these steps as required.

2.2 Removing Adhesive Residue from Entire Marmoleum Floor Surface:

Marmoleum products are commonly installed with wet-set adhesives. Specifically with modular products, adhesive can bleed or ooze at the joints. If this is not addressed and properly cleaned and removed during the installation process, it can leave a tacky residue on the surface of the Marmoleum. The following process can be followed when there is too much residue to remove by hand.

Remove all surface debris by dust mopping, sweeping or vacuuming. Dilute Forbo Adhesive Remover a 1:4 ratio (1 quart of Forbo Adhesive Remover to 4 quarts of unheated tap water). Apply the solution to the floor and allow 10 minutes of dwell time.

Scrub the floor with either a 175 RPM floor machine using a 3M Topline Pad #5000 or equivalent. Scrub the floor, overlapping each previous pass with half of the floor pad width. The floor should be scrubbed in both directions (north to south and then east to west) to ensure all adhesive residue is removed.

Check the pad frequently to ensure it does not become overloaded with adhesive. To avoid smearing the adhesive further on the floor, turn the pad over to a clean side, clean the pad or replace with a new pad.

Pick up the cleaning solution with a wet/dry vacuum. Rinse the entire surface with a clean cotton strand cleaning mop using clean, cool water. Pick up the rinse water with a wet/dry vacuum. Allow the floor to dry completely.

Dust mop the floor with a dry, lightly soiled dust mop. This will help detect any adhesive residue not visually noticeable still present on the floor by attracting the soil from the dust mop. If this occurs, spot clean the area if it is small enough or repeat the steps above to rescrub the area. Allow the floor to dry completely before allowing traffic.

3. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See Forbo's Floor Care Guidelines specifically created for each Forbo product for more detailed recommendations when using Forbo Adhesive Remover.

For additional information, contact Forbo's Product Support & Education Services at 1-800-842-7839 or visit www.forboflooringNA.com.