



MANNINGTON ASSURANCE™ II / ASSURANCE™ II MODULAR TILE MAINTENANCE

Mannington Assurance II Sheet and Mannington Assurance II Modular Tile are slip retardant products.

Mannington Assurance II Sheet is used in many areas such as operating rooms, laboratories, building entrance ways, etc. Mannington Assurance II utilizes a combination of embossing texture that provides drainage under foot, plus use of aggregate incorporated into the wear layer, that provides micro-traction and added wear protection. Consequently, the cleaning aspects of Mannington Assurance II are different from most commercial products. Many commercial products, such as VCT or various sheet goods are flat and smooth and are cleaned using various color-coded synthetic cleaning pads. The synthetic color-coded cleaning pads are not recommended for maintaining Mannington Assurance II products. **Mannington Assurance II requires periodic cleaning with a soft brush (e.g. 3M #53 brush or equivalent) in order to make sure the surface is cleaned down in the embossed areas.**

All floors that are exposed to significant amounts of heavily trafficked dirt and grit require cleaning and some type of restorative maintenance in order to keep a reasonable appearance over the life of the product. Color selection, or in the case of Mannington Assurance II Modular, floor design, such as checker-boarding, can have a pronounced effect on cleaning frequency and appearance aesthetics for a given installation.

MAINTENANCE FOR A NEWLY INSTALLED FLOOR

Allow at least 48 hours after the installation to ensure adhesives have set adequately before maintaining the floor. Keep walking traffic to an absolute minimum and avoid moving heavy objects across the floor during this period of time.

REGULAR MAINTENANCE

1. Dry sweep or dust mop the floor to remove the loose debris and grit. Using walk-off mats (non-staining types) at entrances to buildings can prevent grit and stainants from being tracked onto the surface of the floor.
2. Damp mop the floor using a diluted neutral cleaner such as SC Johnson® Stride to maintain an attractive appearance. Prepare the solution according to the manufacturer's instructions. Use a mop or wet/dry vacuum to remove all wet residue left on the floor.
3. For more stubborn soil, clean the area using a low RPM floor machine with a soft brush (e.g. 3M #53 brush or equivalent) and a neutral cleaner. Use a mop or wet/dry vacuum to remove all wet residue left on the floor.
4. For still more stubborn soil, an alkaline cleaner such as SC Johnson® GP Forward can be used. Prepare the solution according to the manufacturer's instructions. Use a mop or wet vacuum to remove wet residue. A final rinse is recommended.
5. For grease removal, SC Johnson® BREAK-UP™ can be used. Prepare the solution according to the manufacturer's instructions. Use a mop or wet/dry vacuum to remove wet residue left on the floor.
6. Allow the floor to dry thoroughly before opening to traffic.

Note: Following manufacture's mixing instructions is imperative for cleaning agents. Failure to do so may result in reducing the slip resistancy of this product.

For high traffic areas and all areas connecting to direct exterior entranceways, a routine cleaning procedure that includes the following is needed:

- Use of walk-off mats to control grit, soil and stainants from being tracked onto floor
- Use of wet-vac or autoscrubber type device on some periodic basis as required
- Use of a high quality commercial grade acrylic polish. An initial two coats are required, with subsequent applications of polish as required, based upon specific traffic volume or area of use
- Use of a standard high quality commercial grade acrylic polish will still provide a degree of enhanced slip-retardant characteristics while also helping reduce the potential for ground-in dirt that can deteriorate the floor's appearance

MANNINGTON ASSURANCE™ II SHEET FLOORING – IN OPERATING ROOMS

For areas such as Operating Rooms, it is not necessary for the floor to be polished. An initial two coats of commercial grade acrylic polish is suggested and shall be applied within 48 hours after installation if utilized. The premise is that Operating Rooms by definition are areas where there should be minimal dirt and grit. In addition to normal cleaning and disinfecting that takes place in an OR setting, periodic brush cleaning is required to minimize any surface residue that may collect due to product texture. In some critical care areas, local codes do not permit polishes to be used in OR's. While it is desirable to apply an initial two coats of polish, some codes discourage the use of polish in critical areas.

Note: Mannington Assurance II Modular tile is NOT recommended in OR's.

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