

NOVALIS®

Novalis Commercial Maintenance Guide

Novalis is a Solid Vinyl Floor tile engineered for commercial use. Maintenance of Novalis floors is similar to other resilient flooring products but there are some differences so please read these instructions carefully.

ADHESIVE CURING TIME

- It is important to allow the adhesive to set before the floor is exposed to foot traffic, point loads or maintenance procedures. Failure to do so can lead to shifting tiles, adhesive oozing or permanent indentations.
- Do not allow foot traffic on the newly installed floor for 12 to 24 hours.
- Do not allow rolling traffic furniture or fixtures on the floor for 24-48 hours.

PROTECTING THE FLOOR

- It is recommended to install floor coverings after all other finishing operations have been completed. However, if there will be construction traffic on the newly installed floor wait 24 hours and then cover the floor with brown Kraft paper and protective boards if necessary.

CLEAN ADHESIVE RESIDUE

- Remove any adhesive from the surface of the tile while wet using a clean white towel moistened with water.
- Dried Novalis T-126 adhesive can be removed using a clean white cloth moistened with water or denatured alcohol. Do not pour water or denatured alcohol directly on the floor.
- If working with Epoxy or Polyurethane adhesive, clean adhesive while still wet according to adhesive manufacturer's instructions. Do not allow to dry on the surface of the floor as it cannot be removed.

INITIAL MAINTENANCE

- Before turning the space over to the owner, initial maintenance shall be conducted by professional resilient floor maintenance technicians with experience in Solid Vinyl Floor Tile
- Always use maintenance products that are designed to be used on Solid Vinyl Floor Tile.
- Wait 5 days after installation is completed and thoroughly clean the floor using a general purpose cleaner and a buffing machine or auto scrubber with a green or blue pad.
- DO NOT USE BLACK OR BROWN PADS!
- Rinse thoroughly and allow to dry.
- Apply 3 coats of high quality acrylic floor finish according to label instructions. Be sure to allow the proper drying time between coats.

DAILY AND WEEKLY MAINTENANCE

- Sweep, vacuum or dust mop the floor as needed to remove dust loose dirt and grit. In high traffic areas this may be a daily or twice daily procedure.
- Clean liquid spills immediately to prevent the possibility of stains, slips or falls.
- Mop or autoscrub the floor as needed to remove dirt and stains. Use a neutral cleaner appropriate for Solid Vinyl Floor Tile and a red pad if needed to remove ground in dirt.

SCRUB AND RECOAT

- To restore gloss level or deep clean heavily soiled floors, use a scrub and recoat procedure.
- Sweep and thoroughly clean the floor using a general purpose cleaner and a buffing machine or auto scrubber with a green or blue pad.
- DO NOT USE BLACK OR BROWN PADS! Rinse thoroughly and allow to dry.
- Apply 1 or 2 coats of high quality acrylic floor finish according to label instructions. Be sure to allow the proper drying time between coats.

STRIP AND RECOAT

- To completely remove all floor finish and apply a new coating, use a stripping procedure.
- Consult with the manufacturer of the floor finish that was applied for the recommended stripper to remove the finish from a Solid Vinyl Tile Floor.
- Follow the label instructions and use a blue pad to strip the floor.
- DO NOT USE BLACK OR BROWN PADS!

PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

- Use mats at all entry areas to keep dirt, sand and water off of the floor. Clean the mats on a regular basis. If mats are placed directly on top of the Novalis floor, be sure the mats have a non-staining back.
- Furniture shall have protective glides of at least 1" in diameter to minimize the chance of indentations or scratching to the surface of the floor. Do not use narrow chair glides! Felt pads are also excellent protection for the floor for furniture that will be frequently moved directly across the floor.
- Do not move heavy furniture, appliances or fixtures directly across the floor. Use protective boards.
- Protect the floor from direct sunlight by using appropriate window coverings.
- Use chair mats at desks to protect the floor from damage due to chair legs or casters.

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