



REZTEC AND REZTEC CHUNKS RUBBER FLOORING *CARE AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS*

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Reztec flooring is extremely stain resistant. However, if not properly cleaned and maintained, Reztec, like any flooring, can become stained. Please follow these procedures and instructions. Contact Expanko if you have any further questions regarding the maintenance of Reztec flooring at 800.345.6202.

SECTION 1.0: POST INSTALLATION MAINTENANCE

- During installation, any excess adhesive must be immediately removed from the tile surface using a cloth slightly dampened with mineral spirits. Do not soak the floor as discoloration can result. Dried adhesive is difficult to remove. If any dried adhesive is found on the floor surface it can be removed by mechanical means (sanding with 180 grit paper is recommended).
- After adhesive has been allowed to cure for at least 72 hours, sweep and vacuum the floor to remove all dirt and grit.
- Damp mop the floor using *GP Forward* at the recommended dilution. *GP Forward* is available through Expanko. Use a buffer or auto-scrubber with a soft red or blue contact pad to scrub the floor. Do not use excessive amounts of water on the floor during cleaning. Use only enough water to ensure that the scrubbing process occurs on a damp floor. After cleaning, immediately clean up liquid from the floor and allow it to dry. Perform this cleaning process two times or as needed.
- After the floor is cleaned as instructed above, mop the floor with a well wrung out damp mop and warm water. The floor should then be buffed with a white pad to remove any residual detergent.

SECTION 2.0: APPLICATION OF FLOOR SEALER

In order to protect the floor and provide an easy to maintain surface, Expanko recommends sealing Reztec rubber flooring with *Johnsons Wax Carefree Matte Floor Finish (Carefree Matte)*. Sealing the floor will greatly enhance the beauty of the product and extend the life of the floor.

In areas where cleats or heavy objects such as free weights will come in contact with the product, sealer is not recommended. Also, use of light colored patterns in these areas is not recommended.

- Clean the floor according to initial Section 1.0 cleaning instructions.
- Apply *Carefree Matte* according to the instructions listed on the container. For certain applications including health care and aged care facilities, sealing the floor first with *Johnsons Wax Technique Base Coat Tile Floor Sealer (Technique Sealer)* is recommended prior to the

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application of the *Carefree Matte*. The *Technique Sealer* will provide additional resistance from potentially damaging materials used in these facilities.

- Re-coating of the floor must take place when the sealer begins to show signs of wear. The re-coating process can be performed overnight.
- Proper maintenance will greatly reduce the amount of times the floor will need to be re-coated.

SECTION 3.0: DAILY AND WEEKLY CARE

Expanko highly recommends developing a specific maintenance regime, based upon use and traffic. This will ensure that proper daily and periodic maintenance of the floor is carried out by maintenance personnel.

- Sweep or vacuum the floor daily to remove dirt and grit.
- Damp mop the floor using *Stride Neutral Cleaner* at the recommended dilution rate. For tough, worked in dirt and grit, *GP Forward* can be used at the recommended dilution rate. Both products are available through Expanko.

SECTION 4.0: STRIPPING

Prior to stripping the entire floor, Expanko highly recommends stripping in a test area first to ensure that the process being used does not damage the floor.

- Sweep and vacuum the floor.
- Following manufacturers instructions, apply *Johnsons Wax Professional* brand stripper to the floor using the recommended dilution rate. Strip only a small section at a time.
- Allow stripper to act on the floor for 5 minutes and then scrub floor with a soft nylon brush.
- Remove residue with a wet vac and rinse floor with water. Allow the floor to dry for 2-4 hours.
- Clean the floor as specified under Section 1.0 cleaning instructions.
- Apply 3-4 coats of *Carefree Matte* according to manufacturers' instructions.

Important - If *Technique Sealer* has been used to seal the floor, the stripper will not remove this sealer. Therefore, it is typically not necessary to reapply the *Technique Sealer* after stripping.

SECTION 5.0: OTHER GENERAL INFORMATION

- Although Reztec is an extremely durable and tough product, furniture leg protectors and/or pads, are recommended to prevent accidental indentations or scratches in the tiles.

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- Use entrance mats to help prevent excessive dirt and grit from coming in contact with the floor. Do not allow a moisture saturated floor mat to remain for extended periods of time on Reztec or any other type of flooring. Certain rubber compounds used in doormats can cause discoloration of the floor. Any potential staining materials should be cleaned from the floor as soon as possible.
- In areas subject to intense light, Expanko recommends the use of window treatments to reduce levels of light which can cause fading and yellowing in extreme situations. The use of darker colors in these situations will help to diminish the possibility of fading and yellowing.
- Damaged tiles may be replaced. ***Reztec Damaged Tiles Replacement Instructions (Document ID: 317)*** are available and should be followed.

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MAINTENANCE PRODUCTS AVAILABLE FROM EXPANKO:

Stride Neutral Cleaner
GP Forward
Carefree Matte Floor Finish