

# PULASTIC® MAINTENANCE

Guidelines for the care of your Robbins Pulastic sports floor.

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**Failure to follow these instructions will diminish the beauty of your Pulastic Floor.**

## NEW FLOOR INITIAL MAINTENANCE

**IMPORTANT:** Do not allow any use of a new or recoated floor for 5 days after installation. To prevent future dirt build-up on the floor, be sure to follow these steps before the floor is open for use.

1. Sweep floor thoroughly with a clean, untreated cotton dust mop.
2. Mix \*Pulastic Mat Cleaner with tap water using a 50 to 1 ratio. (Water does not need to be hot for the initial maintenance.)
3. Damp-mop entire floor surface with cleaner/water solution.
4. Allow solution to dry on floor.

This initial maintenance treatment will help your Pulastic floor repel dirt. It is very important to perform initial maintenance.

## SPOT REMOVAL

Remove difficult stains and/or scuff marks with a NON-ABRASIVE CLEANER. Stronger cleaning agents (e.g., acetone, mineral spirits or xylene-dampened cloth) can be used for tar removal. Floor must be rinsed with water following use of solvent. FAILURE TO REMOVE SOLVENT COULD RESULT IN PERMANENT DISCOLORATION OF FLOOR. Before using any solvents, test a small area (in corner, behind bleachers, for example) to determine best results.

## DAILY CLEANING PROCEDURES

1. SWEEP DAILY with a clean, untreated cotton dust mop. Wash mop periodically to remove stubborn dirt. It is important to routinely remove dirt and grit. If allowed to build-up, dirt, grit and grime will dull the look of the floor and make long-term maintenance more difficult.
2. SPOT CLEAN AS NEEDED. Refer to Spot Removal.

## WEEKLY CLEANING PROCEDURES

Depending on frequency of use, surface may require weekly scrubbing.

1. Sweep floor with a clean, untreated dust mop.
2. Mix \*Pulastic Mat Cleaner with hot tap water (approximately 120° – 130°), using a 30 to 1 water-to-cleaner ratio for typical weekly or monthly maintenance.
3. Note: If the floor is extremely dirty, use a 20:1 ratio for the hot tap water and \*Pulastic Mat Cleaner.
4. Apply cleaner/water solution to floor with a rotary brush scrubber or auto scrubber by turning the vacuum off with the squeegee in the up position. Allow solution to stand on floor for 10 minutes to release and loosen dirt (emulsify), but do not allow cleaner to dry. Scrub slowly with the rotary brush scrubber or auto scrubber, vacuum on and the squeegee in the down position, using a blue scrub pad. Place "wet floor" signs. Allow floor to dry overnight.

## MONTHLY CLEANING PROCEDURES

1. Sweep floor with a clean, untreated cotton dust mop.
2. Mix \*Pulastic Mat Cleaner with hot tap water (approximately 120° – 130°), using a 30 to 1 water-to-cleaner ratio for typical weekly or monthly maintenance.
3. Note: If the floor is extremely dirty, use a 20:1 ratio for the hot tap water and \*Pulastic Mat Cleaner.
5. Apply cleaner/water solution to floor with a rotary brush scrubber or auto scrubber by turning the vacuum off with the squeegee in the up position. Allow solution to stand on floor for 10 minutes to release and loosen dirt (emulsify), but do not allow cleaner to dry. Scrub slowly with the auto scrubber or rotary brush scrubber, with the vacuum on and the squeegee in the down position, using a blue scrub pad. Place "wet floor" signs. Allow floor to dry overnight. For extremely soiled floors or problem areas a green scrubbing pad may be used, but no more than twice a year.
4. WASH WITH AN AUTO SCRUBBER OR ROTARY BRUSH SCRUBBER AND PULASTIC MAT CLEANER ON A REGULAR BASIS. Surface should be cleaned minimally once a month.

## YEARLY CLEANING PROCEDURES

1. SCHEDULE A YEARLY VISIT WITH YOUR AUTHORIZED ROBBINS INSTALLER. A yearly floor inspection will determine if any changes are needed with your maintenance schedule.

# IMPORTANT

- Keep dust and grit off floor. (Use floor mats at entrances to gym and high-traffic areas).
- AVOID use of low-quality footwear (e.g., black-soled shoes) that cause excessive scuffing.
- Tables, chairs and moveable equipment should have proper functioning "glides" to minimize indentations.
- DON'T allow water or liquids to stand on floor.
- Avoid phosphates, solvents and all moderate-to-high sudsing products.
- When using a battery operated auto scrubber, be sure it is properly charged so battery acid does not leak on the floor.