

## Diagonal Tile

### Maintenance Instructions

#### Initial Cleaning

Vacuum (with heavy-duty commercial vacuum) the floor to remove all dirt and grit. This is the single most important maintenance activity for preserving the floor's appearance and performance – and typically the most overlooked and omitted. For best cleaning results, use a heavy-duty commercial vacuum cleaner that features a rotary power brush or beater bar to remove deeply embedded dirt particles, especially in heavy traffic areas. Matting products release more soil when dry.

#### Routine Daily Cleaning

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#### Deep Cleaning

Conduct deep cleaning as needed, when your routine cleaning is not meeting your expectations.

- Matter Surfaces fibered floorcoverings should be periodically deep cleaned by the Hot Water Extraction method. Best results and quickest dry times will be achieved with commercial truck-mounted steam extraction machines. Extraction cleaning removes deeply embedded soils and should be performed as needed, based on your traffic count and soil level. A minimum quarterly extraction cleaning is recommended for high traffic applications, more often during winter months in high traffic lanes where deeply embedded soil may be present.

#### As Needed

##### Spot Removal

If a spill occurs, use a clean absorbent cloth or paper towel to absorb as much of the liquid as possible. Spray the stained area with an all-purpose spot remover and rub the surface with a clean white cloth. Turn the cloth often to a clean side. Grease or oil based stains may require a citrus-solvent based spot remover. All-purpose and citrus-solvent spot remover are available from your local janitorial supply distributor\*.

\* **Note:** - Always test spot removers in an inconspicuous area of the mat.

##### Gum Removal

Excess chewing gum should be scraped off with a standard putty knife. Chewing gum residue may require use of a citrus-solvent based spot remover or a chewing gum freezing chemical (aerosol) available locally at your janitorial supply distributor.